**Genesis 1:27** So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

<u>Psalm 34:19</u> <u>Many are the afflictions</u> of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.

**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 8:29** For those God foreknew, He also predestined to be **conformed to the image of His Son**, so that He would be the firstborn among many brothers.

Romans 12:2 Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer;

<u>Hebrews 10:36</u> For ye have need of patience, that, <u>after</u> ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.

<u>John 16:13</u> 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.

As The Holy Spirit leads us into more and more truth, we realise that we are more than just saved through the name of Jesus. We realise there is so much more that has been done for us at the cross. We realise that there is so much that God wants to do through us! Here and now on earth. As we begin to understand our new spiritual reality is already available to us here and now. We begin to realise we have dominion now, not just after we depart from these bodies later, **but now**, in Christ. That we are a new spiritual creation born into the family of God. Born again. Sons of God. A new spirit creation. We must see ourselves this way, or how will we believe to trample the enemy of our soul. The flesh profits nothing, the flesh is of the world, the old has passed away. Our spirit by faith can rule and reign over sin and satan's kingdom and the flesh, now. We must believe this and allow ourselves to realise that our freedom is in the spirit, in The Spirit, in another realm, which is spiritual, which is heavenly. We don't wait until we die, we take dominion now. Our real life is now found in Jesus Christ for all eternity. As we come into Jesus image and Jesus is allowed into our hearts He is able to use His body. which each of us is a part of, to trample the enemy underfoot.

<u>1 Thessalonians 5:23</u> Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your entire spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

As we deny self, and allow The Holy Spirit to lead us through our sanctification, our soul is washed and cleansed of the usurpers filth. As we are cleansed, washed and sanctified, we are made fit for God to use, and the glory and power of Jesus manifests in us. Jesus in us can then work through us. Jesus in us can love others through us. Christ in us the hope of glory. It is not us, it is Christ in us as we allow the Holy Spirit to work through us and guide us out of self(satan's works that we cling to) **into love.** Self is separation from God. Letting go of self allows a place for God to dwell in our heart. Love is the letting go of self. It allows us to come into the one mind, the mind of Christ. We basically become gates and doors of heaven whereby God(through us) can take dominion over satan and the whole demonic realm. He can enter the earthly realm through us, more and more to the degree we make place for Him in our hearts. To the degree we let self go. Through Jesus Christ in us, as we abide in Him and He in us, and as we abide in love, showing grace to all, God can enter in and take dominion through each member of Jesus body, The Church. Each member being lead by God through the Holy Spirit. The doors and gates of heaven.

<u>Colossians 1:27</u> To whom God would make known what *is* the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is **Christ in you**, the hope of glory:

<u>1John 4:9</u> In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that **we might live through him.** 

<u>1John 4:13</u> Hereby know we that **we dwell <u>in him</u>**, and <u>he in us</u>, because he hath given us of his Spirit.

1 John 2:17 And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

satan has dominion over flesh and the physical world but all that will pass away. But not over our spirit when we abide in Jesus(love)(walk in love). We are entering the heavenly realm in spirit and coming into Gods kingdom more and more as we let self go. As we crucify the **flesh-self satan** has less and less dominion over us. Only where we still abide in the flesh and where self still rules does satan have dominion. **Jesus is in us**, taking dominion on earth over satan, and we are in **Jesus** in heavenly places leaving the world behind as we let go of the flesh and take on our new nature. Our spirit is gaining strength as we are cleansed. Our flesh is losing power over us. We learn to abide(love) in our spiritual nature of the new man, our born again spirit, which is created in the image of God. Praise God, The Holy Spirit is gently leading us out of every bondage of sin and self.

<u>2 Corinthians 5:15</u> And *that* he died for all, that they which live **should not henceforth live unto themselves,** but unto him which died for them, and rose again.

#### The Earth is the Lord's

### Psalm 24

1{A Psalm of David.} The earth is the LORD'S, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.

2For he hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the floods.

3Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place?

4He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.

5**He** shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

6This is the generation of them that seek him, that seek thy face, O Jacob. Selah.

7Lift up your heads, **O ye gates**; and be ye lift up, **ye everlasting doors**; and **the King of glory shall come in.** 

8Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.

9Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors; **and the King of glory shall come in.** 

10Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory. Selah.

**Ephesians 3:10** To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known **by the church** the manifold wisdom of God,

These things happen when we abide in The Spirit(being in love and showing grace and mercy, holding no offence, and carrying one another's burdens). Taking on our new nature. Allowing God to love through us. When we **fall back into the flesh(by** being offended or judging, or un-forgiving etc), it blocks Gods power and gives the enemy the chance to torment and take dominion over us instead. Grace saves us as we realise and repent, and return to abide in Jesus who is our righteousness. When we return to love. Whenever we fall into flesh we learn to look to Jesus, the cross, and Gods grace, which of course we receive when we show grace. We turn to God in prayer and **ask for Him** to heal and deliver us from this trial. **His works.** We don't rely on flesh(our works). We ask and pray and wait with patience until we pass the trial of our faith. We stand firm, believing by faith even before we see the result. It is by faith not by sight. Patiently believing it is done. Asking God, believing He will do it, that it's done. Everything we need is already accomplished at the cross, we need just enter into the promises and believe. Until it manifests.

**Ephesians 1:3** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who **hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings** in heavenly places **in** Christ:

Notice, it is **in Christ**, and to be **in Christ** we must learn to **abide in love**. Abiding in Jesus(walking in love) and resting in the promises, waiting patiently for them to manifest in our lives. It is not by sight it is by faith. We must be patient and stand firm believing. This proves our faith. It is a trial of faith. Waiting patiently. It is by faith, as we rest in Jesus(love). **If we are in the flesh** we are absent from Jesus body, **dwelling in earth**ly places, not heavenly places. The Holy Spirit is dealing with one issue at a time, so even though there may be many areas where we are not loving, **it is the area He is guiding us to deal with that we need to address.** This is following The Spirit and **not coming under law.** As He brings things to our attention we deal with them one at a time. Here a little there a little so we are not overwhelmed. God is patient with us.

**2 Corinthians 5** 6Therefore we are always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord:

{If we are abiding in offence and un-forgiveness we are abiding in the flesh body, absent from the Lords body. Dwelling in the world under satan's dominion-under bondage}

# 7(For we walk by faith, not by sight:)

{abiding: love, faith, being patient in believing, until the prayer manifests or comes to pass}

8We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.

{when we are loving our neighbor as ourself we are out of the flesh body, Abiding in our heavenly spiritual body, which is IN Christ. Doing Love. }

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

{The head of the body of Christ(Jesus) bruises the head of the demonic body(satan) through us}——— through love.

**Genesis 3:15** And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

{God promised this from the fall, and he uses Jesus body(us) to take satan's dominion away from our lives. The usurper is stripped of his power through love}

When we are abiding(love) in Christ, we have satan and the demonic kingdom under our feet under our authority. Jesus is the head. We listen to and are guided by the head(His will). We have every spiritual blessing when we abide(love) in Jesus, which is abiding in love, showing grace and mercy, loving our neighbor as ourself, denying self. Things the flesh does not like to do. Don't try to please the flesh, please God. Falling back into flesh is to come back under the law. Grace and love is abiding in Jesus. We are under grace, not law, if we believe. If we choose to walk in love this will not confuse us. If we are motivated by love, we do not need laws. We have Jesus in us to be able, if we but ask and pray(let go of self effort) in faith. Show grace in all things, through Jesus in the power of the Spirit. The narrow way to life.

Galatians 5:4 Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace.

Faith requires us to walk in love in order to be able to abide in Christ and so <u>apply</u> and walk in the promises. Falling into flesh again makes the promises of no effect. Falling into offence, judging, gossip, self pity, rejection, etc, all take us away from faith. In the flesh we are powerless. Gods grace, and showing others grace, allows the promises to take effect as we wait patiently proving our faith. We must remember patience. By faith not by sight. We must learn to abide in love, (in Jesus). In The Spirit through whom the power comes.

Romans 4:14 For if they which are of the law be heirs, faith is made void, the promise made of none effect:

- <u>2 Corinthians 5:17</u> Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: **old things are passed away**; behold, <u>all things</u> are become new.
- **1 Corinthians 1:19** For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.

The flesh relies on the world and the wisdom of man and what it sees, smells, hears, tastes and touches. It relies on emotions and feelings to guide as well and all of this is subject to the curse that came from the fall of Adam and Eve. The truth is apart from these, these are used to lead us astray an deceive through the flesh. We do not rely on the carnal mind and senses and emotions to be our guide. The flesh and our body wants to appease the works(torments) of satan by finding false comfort to the body and emotions regardless of truth. Rather than facing problems we seek the worlds comfort to avoid them. We hide from pain and hurt and rejection etc. Taking our mind away from sanctification because it feels better to occupy our mind with entertainment. Getting off the cross. We want to feel better, and so are guided by the flesh to avoid the truth and love. If we stop walking in love, satan will stop harassing us(for a time), but we are being deceived by this comfort because we are not forming Jesus within us. We are not being sanctified.

<u>Hebrews 12:14</u> Follow peace with all *men*, and holiness, **without which** no man shall see the Lord:

satan will reward false comfort in order to encourage us to put down our cross. "Stop all this love stuff and I'll leave you alone" he whispers. Pleasing our flesh instead of God is false comfort. Denying self does not please the flesh. Love is denying self. We are a new creation, we are born again, we are spirit. We have died to the flesh. The flesh profits nothing. Our life is in Jesus.

**John 6:63** It is the spirit that giveth life; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I have spoken unto you are spirit, and are life.

Our flesh body, which for now our soul is attached to, is used by the enemy of our soul, to steer and drive us to make decisions that are comfortable to the flesh----rather than deny our flesh and obey The Truth. Allowing the world to satisfy our desires is the way of death. God wants us to love him with all our hearts so that we cannot be deceived by our heart or the desires of our heart. So that our flesh cannot be used to lure us like ignorant fish, to be hooked and take the bait. Our flesh will lure us to appease it. satan uses our flesh to lure us into defilement and corruption and sin and false comfort, so we waste the time we have been given to be sanctified. The Holy Spirit will expose these things that lure us a little at a time. But we must let go of them, so he can meet the need of what is being used to lure us. The inner needs and desires of our soul and flesh that only God can truly meet. Once He meets that need it can no longer lure us because that need is no longer drawing us. God can then give us our hearts desires, without the dangerous lure of it, if, He is our first love. Once the idol is let go and sacrificed we are free of the devils power over us in that. Then God can give it back if we don't let it become an idol again. Free of bondage. God is always wanting us to be set free. He loves us, forgives us, and longs for us to walk in love so he is able to show us the lures of satan and set us free. He wants to set us free from our flesh. Love is the victory. It exposes the idols. We consider our flesh dead, crucified with Christ. We put our hope in our spirit life, which is now our real life, in love, in heavenly places for all eternity in Jesus. We let go of(death) the temporary sin of the flesh life. We let go of temporary comfort. False comfort. We battle for our soul in love. Love reveals the things that lure us. We cannot see them until we begin to walk in love. Through every trial. Love brings the trial because evil must attempt to block love. But we have Jesus.

<u>Galatians 2:20</u> I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

<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.

{to overcome the devils works, abide in the truth, Jesus, Love, it exposes him and overcomes him}——it opens our eyes so we can see the deceptions. It shines the Light and removes the vail.

Whenever we attempt to walk in love, it forces the devil to try to stop us. This exposes him depending what he uses to stop us. He may use rejection. If he does then we can then discern his foul works. Ask for discernment and learn to discern. A spirit of rejection is working in us. It is time to cast that foul spirit out! A member of the body of darkness assigned to keep us deceived and "feel" rejected is trying to block us from choosing to walk in love. Rejection blocks Don't allow or believe feelings and emotions that exult themselves against the knowledge of God. They will ruin relationship with God and every other relationship on earth. We are not rejected. We just "feel" rejected and have the enemy whispering similar thoughts to our mind. The spirit of rejection has the ability to deceive us into a false feeling, if we believe and allow it. The truth is we are not rejected, stand in the truth. Rejection will make us feel like we are not loved by God or others. We will then blame God and others for the deception that we are under ourselves. The truth is we are accepted in the beloved. Believe. Jesus died for us, that's how much God loves us. Walking in Love has forced this spirit up- to stop us walking in love. We now must battle to overcome the rejection. We cannot win the battle in our strength, satan has dominion over our flesh. We ask God in faith, to heal this place of rejection. extremely important—we forgive anyone who may have been the cause of us feeling this way, from the heart— meaning it with all our being, we repent of it/ turn from it/renounce it, we ask God to grant us forgiveness if we can't, we ask god to fill this place, fill the need, and heal the

emptiness and our hurt and pain and the need of acceptance that this spirit makes us "feel". We believe we are accepted, Gods Word says so. We apply the promise. We do this from our heart and overcome the spirit of rejection that is resisting us. Causing us falsely to "feel" unloved. This can be very very difficult to overcome or even to face, but it must be done or it will block love from operating. It will be used to ruin marriages and relationships. We keep the battle up until we overcome the foul spirit. Then as we are restored and healed and overcome, we bind it, we **execute judgement** on the spirit of rejection, **then cast it out** in Jesus name. We are then free of that bondage and free to love in that area of our life.

**Ephesians 1:6** To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.

<u>2 Corinthians 10:6</u> And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled.

<u>Psalm 149:9</u> <u>To execute upon them the judgment written</u>: this honour have all his saints. Praise ye the LORD.

If self pity rises up to stop us walking love and showing grace and mercy, then we have lured "a spirit of self pity" up out of hiding and snared it through obedience to love. We then repent for self pity, turn from it and ask God to fill the need and heal and restore. Believing and battling with that spirit until it is defeated. Not allowing self pity to rule over us. Denying it. Emotional pain may rise up with it. Driving us to do anything to avoid dealing with it. We do the same thing. We turn to God for help. We cannot fight it with just thoughts. We need to look to God in faith and keep believing until we see victory over it. We need to speak against it and speak life. "I am a son of God". "I am wonderfully made " "I bind self pity" "Lord I renounce self pity and let it go and ask you to fill this place of need". "I repent of self pity" Some things like emotional pain and rejection can be very difficult to let go because they feel like part of us. Letting go can make us feel vulnerable. But it is all torment and God wants to restore our soul. Offence might rise up to block us showing love. If we are offended then we must discern we have just snared a spirit of offence. It wants to snare us, but if we discern it and resist, we have actually snared it! We can now trample offence under foot as we refuse its work of offence. We forgive, we repent of judging, we refuse to be offended, and walk in peace toward the person. Right or wrong it is God who is dealing with them. We need just show love for victory over satan. Self will want to rise up, resist self, forgive. We must realise others also have bondages, that The Lord wants set them free from. God loves that person too. We help each other by showing each other grace. Forgiving one another, not judging. satan's kingdom cannot stand under the power of Jesus(Love). The light of the truth exposes the enemy(knowing what is a dark work). Or knowing what is of God. The Word. Walking in love and grace and mercy then, will discern and trample the enemy. Love blocks the enemy from working in our flesh. Love resists darkness. But we must **choose love to block evil.** Or evil will block love. Choose.

<u>Joshua 24:15</u> And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, **choose you this day whom ye will serve**; whether the gods which your fathers served that *were* on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, **we will serve the LORD.** 

Love exposes the enemy where we can discern him. Love removes the vail of deception. Love overcomes the darkness and tormentors of our flesh and souls. Love is the victory. Jesus is love and so our faith is in Him. We always ask God for the love to overcome. It is a spiritual battle. God is spirit, we need to **activate our spirit** in The Spirit **through faith.** Out of the lowest heaven into the highest. Above satan. Instead of below satan. Flesh is below, spirit is above. Through Love. Humble self and ask God. Flesh cannot overcome evil spirits, satan reigns over flesh. Faith activates the kingdom of heaven into action over the demonic kingdom. Now, we can rule and reign over darkness now. We rule and reign in Jesus Christ. Jesus rules and reigns in heaven, we are in Him and he is in us. Jesus rules and reigns on earth through us. As we love. Use faith, include The Holy Spirit in the battle. To be able to love ask for help in the battle.

**Galatians 5:22** But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,

**2 Corinthians 3:14** But their minds were blinded: for until this day remaineth the same vail untaken away in the reading of the old testament; which vail is done away in Christ.

Notice that until we step out and walk in love, forgiving, showing grace and mercy, refusing to blame, point fingers, judge others and justify ourself, we cannot see the enemy. The enemy is not exposed until we abide in Jesus(Love). When we begin to walk in love, the enemy is forced up to stop us and is therefore exposed and defeated one at a time. Whatever rises to stop love we are then able to discern and **defeat it as we stand strong in love.** Evil spirits work in groups too. Groups working together on demonic trees. Such as a tree with roots of unforgiveness, Working with a trunk of rejection, with branches of hurt, pain, emotional pain, self pity, anger, hatred, offence, alcohol etc. each one an individual evil spirit, **all working together to keep us from love.** As we discern and take up our sword of faith, in love, we can speak destruction upon them. Destroy the roots. **Forgiveness is key** to destroy the whole tree. Love is the victory and to love God with **all** our heart is **the key to expose every foul spirit.** 

<u>Hebrews 12:15</u> Looking diligently <u>lest any man fail</u> of the grace of God; **lest any root of bitterness** springing up trouble you, and thereby **many be defiled**;

**Revelation 3:20** Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and **open the door,** I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

It is Love(Jesus). Open the door, ask Jesus into our heart. Let go of all self pity, hurt, pain, rejection, negative feelings and emotions, negative thoughts, self justification, self abuse, lust, drugs, alcohol and religious false comforts that lead away and allow us to avoid love. Jesus paid the price for these, give the burdens to him and be set free. Ask and pray, look to the cross as The Holy Spirit reveals the enemy. Obey the Spirit who is our real comforter, and who wants to set us free. We have grace, there is no condemnation as we strive to enter the rest in Jesus. Battle through every trial by love in faith(asking God to help) denying self and the flesh, and **not leaning on the carnal mind** for understanding. Relying on the truth.

**Ephesians 5:9** (For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;)

<u>Hebrews 4:11</u> Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, **lest any man fall** after the same example of unbelief.

<u>James 4:4</u> You adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Therefore, whoever chooses to be a friend of the world renders himself an enemy of God.

The wisdom of the world is under bondage to the curse and so deception. Love removes the vail of deception, it exposes evil spirits. **The Holy Spirit is truth** and we have Him in us, we have Truth, we do not need the worlds wisdom anymore. The enemy hate the light, they like to hide in darkness and shadow. Ways of the world are ways of the flesh, ways of unbelief that are not of faith. Our brain, one of the tools our flesh uses to form beliefs and reason things out, is, the bible tells us, the enemy. It has been trained by the world how to think and how to cause our flesh to thrive or just survive in this physical world. How to compete. Our flesh is equiped for this world. Our spirit is equiped for heaven, a spiritual world(eternal). The carnal mind and our flesh loves the world(temporary and short lived)because it provides our flesh with comfort and things that please the flesh. Our flesh is short lived, let us not be shortsighted. Doing what pleases our flesh and carnal mind is the way of death. It will lure us away from our eternal home.

2 peter 1 3According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue: 4Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust. 5And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; 6And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; 7And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness love.

8For **if these things be in you**, **and abound**, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9But *he that lacketh these things is blind*, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins. 10Wherefore the rather, brethren, **give diligence to make your calling and election sure:** for **if ye do these things**, ye shall never fall: 11For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly **into the everlasting kingdom** of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

<u>Romans 8</u> 5 For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. 6 For to be **carnally minded is death**; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. 7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. 8 So then <u>they that are in the flesh cannot please God</u>.

The world and our physical bodies, our self, and ego is all seperation from God, because until Jesus Christ returns in His glorious body the church, and finishes trampling satan under his feet(through the feet of His body The Church) satan still reigns on the Earth(over flesh). Over all who dwell in their flesh. Dwelling in negativity and darkness. **Forgiveness is key.** Repent. Love takes us above satan into the first heaven where we reign in Christ over him. The flesh is below him, but in Jesus Christ(Love) we are above him. satan reigns over our flesh also in those places where we are in unbelief. So when we slip out of faith into unbelief **he is able once more to afflict our soul and flesh.** In that place, until we deal with that place, he has dominion.

So as satan does this, it brings us each to repent and be able to be set free from that place in our walk with God. It all leads to our sanctification. He can afflict us where we are not either walking in love or where we are not obeying The Holy Spirit. The affliction drives us back to God <u>if</u> we do not justify our self. **If we justify self we are avoiding love** and it is love that exposes the enemy and removes the veil and then tramples him. When we resist with love we can cast him out.

**Isaiah 6** 8Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me.

9And he said, Go, and tell this people, Hear ye indeed, but understand not; and see ye indeed, but perceive not.

10Make the heart of this people fat, and make their ears heavy, and shut their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and convert, and be healed.

Love removes the veil. Jesus removes the blindness. Faith in Jesus and not in justifying our self. We do not want to stumble in our faith, being in self. Our justification is in Jesus. Places where we are still being carnal and fleshly, thinking of self instead of looking to the needs of others, The Holy Spirit will show us a little at a time. Not to condemn but to bring restoration. So we may repent and be healed and set free. God gave us grace so we can repent. Praise God for his love. The Holy Spirit wants to work through us.

### Psalm 23

1{A Psalm of David.} The LORD is **my shepherd**; I shall not want.

2He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

3He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Places where we are relying on our wisdom instead of Gods, The Holy Spirit will reveal if we learn to listen and develop relationship with Him. The still small voice in our heart. Jesus wants to set us free from places where we are relying on what we "think and feel" is right, and what our emotions "drive us to do and say and think". Rather than simply believing The Truth and obeying The Spirit, Who is our Comforter. Love, denying self, stops these things. The devil and demons also afflict us when we come under law(under the letter of the law) because this is not of faith. He wants us to listen to our carnal mind where he is able to implant lies, deceptions accusations and falsehood. Love exposes all of this. If we come under law again, the enemy will attempt to bring condemnation upon us if we believe these lies. If we have disobeyed the law at one point we are guilty of all. We simply cannot be saved by obeying ALL the law. Love sets us free from law. Jesus Christ is our righteousness and the end of the the law. We have grace to save us from law.

<u>James 2:10</u> For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and **yet offend in one point**, he is guilty of all.

Romans 10:4 For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.

To avoid coming under law we always look to Jesus and the cross for our righteousness. We trust in Gods grace. Receiving forgiveness, obeying The Spirit. Forgiving others, showing others grace. Avoiding the letter of the law, striving to love. Asking Jesus for help to do it. Jesus did not go to the cross for naught. His blood paid for our sin, for grace, accept this and apply it to avoid condemnation.

**1john 1:7** But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son **cleanseth us** from all sin.

<u>1 Corinthians 1:17</u> For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel: **not with wisdom of words**, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect.

Among one of the things done at the cross by Jesus is that He fulfilled the law for us. So to avoid coming back under the law we learn to look at the cross, look to Jesus, and ask in faith to over come any sin which besets us. Stand in grace not law. Believe and repent, we are forgiven in Jesus, as we are cleansed by walking in love(Jesus). If we attempt to obey the law, we come under law. If the Holy Spirit shows us sin, in our relationship with Him though, it does not bring us under law. We are under His direction. God is simply showing us a place in our life that is not holy and not love. We have grace. There is no condemnation, therefore we can leave that sin because there is no law to condemn us. The law will strengthen our sin if we come under it. The Holy Spirit points sin out so we can escape it and satan's bondage. Jesus gave up his life so we could be given the gift of grace. Don't reject Gods grace. Receive Gods grace with joy. "The joy of The Lord is my strength". To avoid the law, we learn to listen to The Holy Spirit and obey Him, and as He shows us sin we look to Jesus and the cross and know and believe He sacrificed His blood to supply us with every single thing we could possibly need. We have a certain amount of time and every day is precious and should not be wasted. To form Christ in us which is the hope of glory.

<u>Hebrews 12:1</u> Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,

As The Spirit shows us sin or iniquity in our heart, we simply repent, receive forgiveness, forgive others and ourself, and ask God to wash and cleanse and heal and restore. **Doers** by faith **asking God** in Jesus righteousness. We then bring judgement upon satan and he is cast out of that place in us. Our obedience to forgive and to love brings judgement upon him. When we obey we are in The Spirit, and have dominion over the second heaven where satan reigns over flesh and the world. We have all authority in Christ. When we are not in the flesh. Dwelling in negativity. satan has no claim on us when we abide in The Spirit, in forgiveness, mercy, kindness, grace(showing grace) and love. Abiding in LOVE(Jesus). In The Spirit. When we are in faith - in Jesus - satan cannot touch us. From glory to glory leaving darkness **as it is revealed to us** by The Spirit. If we fall back into flesh he can torment again until we repent. Gods **grace saves us each time, as we repent** and come back under grace though love. We are under grace not law. If we believe. Jesus gave up His life so we could have this grace. Believe.

**Romans 8** 12Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. 13For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye **through the Spirit do mortify the deeds** of the body, ye shall live.

How do we fall into flesh? We refuse to forgive, we hold offence, we hang on to rejection, we gossip, judge in our minds, accuse, we have self pity, we stiffen our neck in pride and rebel against the truth. We rebel against love. The tormentors will come and help us to repent. Praise God for his grace. Learn to sow grace toward others. We are under grace not law.

<u>John 14:30</u> I will not speak with you much longer, for the prince of this world is coming, and he has no claim on Me.

**2 Corinthians 2:9** My purpose in writing you was **to see if you would stand the test** and be obedient in everything.

<u>2 Corinthians 10:6</u> And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled.

<u>John 16:11</u> Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.

**John 12:31** Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out.

As we are sanctified in our obedience to walk in love and to do Gods will, we are able to cast satan's workers(demons) out. **Now**. Our obedience manifests their judgement and we are set free from their torment in our flesh. When we are abiding in love(Jesus) they have nothing in us. There may be other sin which God will expose to us later, but this particular bondage, we can be set free of. It is as The Spirit shows and reveals things to us. Repent of what He shows us. Relationship and not law. The law will condemn us, the Spirit will bring life. From glory to glory. We are walking out and bringing to pass our sanctification. **Proving our faith** by our works done in faith through The Holy Spirit. Love overcomes. As The Spirit leads us. Let go of the condemnation of the law.

Romans 8 14For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. 15For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. 16The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: 17And 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.

**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.** 

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

If we are not hearing The Holy Spirit very clearly to see sin in our lives, or obeying Him to deal with it, the law allows satan to do his work. Because we come under the law, not being under grace, by disobedience, being in the flesh. It opens the door for the tormentors. satan is Gods tool to reveal places where we are in the flesh and relying on our carnal mind. Places of bondage. Many times due to not forgiving ourself or others or a root of bitterness. Places where our will reigns instead of Gods will. Doing Gods will, obeying The Holy Spirit, leads to freedom. Relying on our own wisdom leads to deception and bondages will remain. Be lead by The Spirit. We don't come under the traditions of men or doctrine or the law or beliefs and modern ways of doing false church. We see the true church in The Word. God doesn't change and Jesus doesn't change. The church should look like Jesus. How did Jesus walk? Well the early apostles show us how Jesus walked. They walked the same as Jesus. We should therefore also hope to walk the same. Nothing has passed away from then, except faith to believe. Hope to fully form Jesus within us. The foundation is the same, it is Jesus Christ. The early apostles laid the same foundation. We see it in the New Testament. We lay the same, we lay on top of that. Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today and forever. Our eyes and hope remain on Jesus.

**1 Corinthians 3:11** For other foundation **can no man lay** than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

**Ephesians 1:2** to the end that we should be unto the praise of his glory, we who had before **hoped** in Christ:

**Colossians 1:27** To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is **Christ in you**, the hope of glory:

**2 Corinthians 3:17** Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, **there is liberty.** 

In places where we are in the flesh and being carnal, where we are bound in self, pride, or in deception, The Holy Spirit will guide us to repent and be healed. He will lead us away from carnal thinking and reasoning to bring our hearts to rest in Jesus Christ. We learn to stop reasoning and simply believe the truth. Our minds can rest from reasoning as we begin to simply rest in the promises. Simply relying on hearing the Holy Spirit. As we escape more and more bondage we are more and more able to do this. If we are not hearing the voice of The Spirit, or stiffening our neck and refusing to obey, or even if we cannot understand the problem He is showing us, we should ask God to show us why. "Ye have not because Ye ask not." If we watch and discern, God may allow satan to torment and expose the problem. Or He may show us in another way. When we finally see it, we are able to repent and obey in grace and love. We will overcome as we stand firm and in patience, the trial of our faith. Remembering we can only stand in Jesus and Jesus is love. So we stand in love to have victory. We must be clear what love is then. Gods love is very different to what the world calls love. If we obey these following things, they will lead to healing, sanctification and victory. They are what love actually is. If we do not obey these things we will get to keep our bondages.

<u>1 Corinthians 13</u> 4. Love suffereth long, and is kind; love envieth not; love vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, 5. doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not its own, is not provoked, taketh not account of evil; 6. rejoiceth ot in unrighteousness, but rejoiceth with the truth; 7. bearers all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

{obeying these things is difficult, ask God, exercise and build faith, His works- don't strive} {needing to do these things is difficult for the carnal mind to comprehend, ask-believe-trust}

We must remember our faith and ask God to supply the ability to love.

<u>1 John 5:4</u> For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and <u>this is the victory</u> that <u>overcometh the world</u>, <u>even our faith.</u>

{Look to Jesus and the cross, pray and ask God}

<u>Philippians 4:19</u> But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

**1 Corinthians 1:18** For the preaching of the cross is **to them that perish** foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.

God uses the curse and the law(because the flesh is under the law - it is not of faith)to allow satan to bring in the tormentors and expose that places of self/ego/pride/rebellion where the flesh still reigns over our born again spirit. Where flesh is binding our soul to sin and the curse. The curse is still in effect, over our flesh, where we are in the flesh. We have grace to leave the bondage. We rise in spirit. Through love. We have grace to leave the prison cell and walk away from the curse. Apply the cleansing blood. We do this by denying self and walking in love. Carrying one another's burdens as Jesus did for us on the cross.

**Galatians 6:2** Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.

Where unbelief reigns over faith we have fallen into flesh. Out from Gods grace until we repent and overcome with love. The promises of God are there for us to apply and believe. Love. God uses satan to sanctify us and bring us into Jesus image. Wherever the flesh reigns, satan will attack, torment, and expose the sin. In doing so he exposes himself and we can overcome him through love and cast him out. If we simply obey God and learn how to love, and show mercy and grace, we will expose satan and have dominion and authority over him. Wherever we are walking in love we have dominion. It is the simplicity of the gospel. Once we expose him through love, we repent of the sin and cast him out(it may be un-forgiveness, anger, rejection, lust, self pity, holding offence, drugs, alcohol or any other dark work). We repent ask God for the victory and then command that demon out in Jesus name. Don't strive in flesh. His works not ours—ask God. Pray. Humble self.

<u>Matthew 10:8</u> Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, <u>cast out devils:</u> freely ye have received, freely give.

In repentance, forgiveness and love we will be set free of each bondage from our life. A little at a time, as The Holy Spirit knows we can handle or bear. One more step toward being holy as He is holy, from glory to glory as we come into the image of Jesus Christ. God simply uses satan(the tormentors) to bring us back out of unbelief and disobedience(the flesh) into faith, love and believing. Under grace.

**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.

**Exodus 23:29** "I will not drive them out before you in a single year, that the land may not become desolate and the **beasts of the field** become too numerous for you.

<u>Matthew 13:38</u> *The field is the world;* the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked one;

We are at war with the demonic beast powers of the world for the land(our soul). We cannot punch them or shoot them. The battle is spiritual. We love and use the sWord. We attack by faith and through Jesus(love). Walking in love in Jesus gives us dominion and authority over demons and satan. Walking in the flesh gives the demonic kingdom dominion and authority over our flesh to torment our soul. Don't dwell in the flesh. Dwell in Love. Abide in God. We cannot defeat them in a day, we must learn to hold the ground we take by walking more and more in Love. Holding the land(of our soul) we have taken, and then taking more. As Joshua did which is a physical type of what we face in the spirit. We deny the flesh a chance to drag us into their dominion and authority. Denying all offence, showing grace. Rising up out of the flesh into our born again spirit man in Jesus. Not temporary false comfort for a few years in flesh, but eternal life in the spirit.

**Ephesians 1:21** far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age, but also in the one to come.

**Exodus 23:30** "I will drive them out before you little by little, **until you become fruitful.** and take possession of the land.

## { The land is our soul}

**Galatians 5:22** But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith.

**Ephesians 5:9** (For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;)

When we are in faith we are safely abiding in Jesus - safe from the tormentors. If we fall into unbelief the tormentors will come and bring correction until we understand the problem. The easier way is to hear The Holy Spirit and obey in the first place. But sin and un-forgiveness can block us from hearing the small still voice of The Spirit, so we need the rod of correction(satan) to bring us to see and repent and be able to be saved by being sanctified and walking in Jesus steps.

<u>Proverbs 29:15</u> The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame.

<u>Proverbs 22:15</u> Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but <u>the rod of correction shall</u> drive it far from him.

We are children in the spirit learning to walk in love and faith. The rod of correction provided by God out of His love and desire to bring us to repentance will either bring us closer to God as we repent, or it will drive us away if we become offended at God or stiffen our neck in disobedience. Do not allow condemnation to take hold because of the rod of correction. We are children in the spirit, new babes in heaven, God is our Father. Our Father reproves us out of love. We prove we believe The Truth or we stumble at the offence of the cross and of faith. If we endure, it will cause us to call out to God in faith, with a contrite and humble heart and spirit.

<u>Hebrews 12:6</u> For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, And scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.

Hebrew 12 7If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not? 8But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons. 9Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh which corrected us, and we gave them reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live? 10For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure; but he for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness. 11Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby.

**Proverbs 3:11** My son, do not reject the discipline of the LORD Or loathe His reproof.

**Proverbs 3:12** For whom the LORD loves He reproves, Even as a father corrects the son in whom he delights.

Often, we want to obey, but try to do it in our own righteousness. In our strength. We forget that Jesus is the way. And the way is narrow. We stumble at faith in Jesus. By looking to ourself. We want to do the right thing but try to climb up another way. In Gods love He will allow the rod of correction to be applied until we get back on the narrow way. Faith in Jesus. Faith in the ability of Love to set us free. So we do not mistake the rod of correction for condemnation. Instead we see God trying to lead us back to faith in Jesus. That is walking in love. We cannot justify ourself that is the way of death. There is now no condemnation IN Christ. The rod is just for correction to bring repentance for the dead works of flesh. Don't allow the trials, or the rod, to allow condemnation in. We have grace.

<u>Hebrews 9:14</u> How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, **purge your conscience from dead works** to serve the living God?

**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;

<u>Isaiah 57:15</u> For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones.

**Isaiah 66:2** For all those things hath mine hand made, and all those things have been, saith the LORD: but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and **trembleth at my word.** 

<u>Proverbs 1:7</u> The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

<u>1 Corinthians 10:5</u> But with many of them <u>God was not well pleased</u>: for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

<u>1 Corinthians 10</u> 6Now these things were our example, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted. 7Neither 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. 8Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand. 9Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents. 10Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer. 11Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come. 12Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall. 13There 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.

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

<u>Psalm 19:5</u> Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth **as a strong** man to run a race.

Fear God! Do not be overcome or overthrown in the wilderness of our trials. Take back the land, run the race. We pick up our cross and follow Him and we have the Comforter, our helper, to lead and guide us. Doctrines and traditions of men are not our guide, that's how the pharisees became blinded to the truth. Looking to a man to be head over us and rely on him, is not the way either. Only God can do this work in us and no man can replace Him as our head. Jesus is the head, always. The body cannot operate apart from the head. The church is not The Church if the Holy Spirit isn't operating. God uses men to edify and to help and speak through, but The Spirit remains our head. We help one another, through The Spirit, but that is to confirm what God himself is saying to our own heart. It is one mind. It is Jesus <u>in</u> each of us,

loving through each of us. We may listen to men or learn through men(in whom we discern The Spirit), but it must all be confirmed in our hearts by The Holy Spirit, and agree with The Word. We must learn to discern the spirit that is working in men, whether it is The Holy Spirit or another spirit. Of Jesus, or of another jesus? You will know them by their fruits. Do they look at all like Jesus?

It is by faith that we are saved, and that is not of the flesh but a gift from God. The way for this to happen is to believe Jesus and the words He spoke and The Word of God and the testimony of Jesus. When we believe the gospel in our hearts, knowing it is the truth, and confess with our mouth, we are made righteous in Jesus Christ by our faith and are born again. Apart from our flesh and soul we now have a new spirit which was born by faith in Jesus. We now have a spiritual reality and are seated with Jesus in heavenly places by faith. We have done nothing but believe and have faith in Jesus and the testimony of Jesus. We have done nothing but believe and confess(believe plus faith of the confession) to be saved. The good we do, simply proves we believe. The righteous acts we do is a testimony to others of Jesus working in us. They even help us to believe ourselves to be believers. They don't save us, but, they prove we are saved. They show that we have **believed** and have faith. They are a testimony of Jesus in us to others. We can **know** we have **believed** if we have works of righteousness.

**Romans 10** 9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. 10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

<u>John 5:24</u> Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and **believeth** on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

<u>James 2:18</u> Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and <u>I will shew thee my faith</u> by my works.

We rule and reign as we abide in Jesus. Abiding in Jesus is walking in love. Love reigns.

Here and Now in spirit