

Matthew 1:18 **18** Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.

At this time of year as the world celebrates Christmas, we as disciples of Jesus have a perfect opportunity to reflect and consider the sacrifice Jesus and our Heavenly Father made for us. We remember this time of year in celebration of His birth, but so often we do not fully comprehend the extent of what it means to us. There is no date given for the day Jesus was born in the bible, most likely because God did not wish us to worship a day but rather to **keep our minds always fixed on the person of Jesus Christ**—who is still alive, risen. Just as Jesus came in the flesh, of The Holy Ghost, so too must we realise that He made a way for us to do the same. Upon believing we too are born again—of The Holy Ghost, and are born into Jesus body, and He comes in and takes up His life again in us. Jesus gave up His life so He could take it up again— in us. Jesus also said He had to go so that The Comforter could come.

John 10:18 No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father.

John 16:7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.

John 14 **16** And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; **17** *Even* the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

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

Both of these points are so vitally important to understand, and so awesome in importance, that they should be foundational in our appreciation of Jesus life. Not only His physical birth in the form of a man, but His now-continual birth in each of us as we are each filled and lead by The Comforter through the process of sanctification to be like Jesus. To come into Gods image. LOVE. So as to prepare our soul for the heavenly kingdom we are destined to join—part of Gods family. Surely The Fathers only begotten, The Son of man had a birthday in time upon the Earth. But Jesus Christ is eternal, and lives forever and is born again in us, and we in Him, when we are born again through faith in Him, and by believing the gospel. He is manifested in and through us as we follow The Holy Spirit in the process of sanctification—which is a process of repentance and letting go of this world and its pleasures and desires, for a far better kingdom, and body—both of which are eternal, instead of corrupt/temporary, as these fleshly tabernacles or bodies are. Jesus takes all our corruptness and sin and brokenness and judgement which was upon us, & gives us

eternal life, incorruptible, in return. It is a great trade, all grace and love on Gods part. We give Him our sin and He gives us His grace. The part we play in this though is to let this life go, and let what **we want to do** go, and to become a servant, then a son. A servant of God and of men. This is what Jesus did. This is what we do. To allow Jesus to re-create Himself in us. In order for this to happen though, this requires each of us to deny self, pick up our cross and follow in Jesus footsteps, by faith, being lead by The Comforter. Simply put, The Holy Spirit is teaching us how to Love. Just like Jesus. God is preparing each of us for heaven. God is Love. God is teaching each of us how to be a son or daughter in a kingdom of Love. So we need to follow and obey and learn Love. Because nothing corrupt will enter heaven. So we must see who we are, and know our identity in Jesus, a new creation, spiritual, eternal in Jesus by faith. The more we are sanctified, the more of Jesus we have manifest in us right now. We die to this world and to the devils works and allow our soul to choose God instead of the world. Our soul is now retrained to desire God and not things of the flesh and world. Our true identity is now found in God, not this world. We are sons and daughters of God, by faith now. At passing this physical life, we want our soul being drawn to God, not the devil. These decisions are made in this flesh life, here and now.

1 John 2:15 Love not the world, neither the things *that are* in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

We have an exceedingly, eternally far better hope now, and the power to do this. We have The Word God and we have the power of The Holy Spirit and we have Gods promises. And the gift of faith. It's all already been done for us by Jesus, but we need to apply it all by faith. And faith works through Love. So we find we must learn to walk in Love or we will have no faith. God won't be mocked. This is not religion, it is a simple truth. Adam and Eve lost fellowship with God and the world fell into darkness and separation from God. Jesus has made a way back and we have, right now, fellowship with God again through The Holy Spirit as we work out our salvation through obedience to Him. Don't let religion steal this from us. It is all about fellowship with God as He restores us to His image in which we are made. It is all done by mrepentance, faith and through Love. It's all been done for us by Jesus, but we must always walk by faith to apply His promises to our lives. To apply the promises we first believe, and then walk in them by faith, not by sight. Faith requires fellowship with God Himself and also to trust Him despite circumstances. No man or pastor can have faith for us. Our fellowship is with God personally. We must each be guided by The Holy Spirit or we have another Gospel. It is God that heals and guides and cleanses us a little at a time as we can bear it. So Jesus is born everyday, in each of us. Jesus has a birthday every day of the year because He is being born in everyone that believes. This time of year, as the world celebrates Christmas, it is a good time to reflect on the awesome trade Jesus has offered us. A corrupt life of sin and bondage and death(separation from God) to eternal life in a kingdom of Love for all eternity in Jesus, with God forever. We learn to let the world go and live to and love God with all our heart, all of our mind and all of our soul. Serving Him with all our strength. All of which we cannot do without fellowship and faith in God supplying us with all of it. Always seeking God to do this in us. Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life. And every day is His birthday. He is still being born all over the world. satan should not have crucified Him, Jesus is multiplying on the earth. :) Jesus is all over the world now, in us. Showing His Love through us. Praise and glory and thanksgiving to God Almighty.

1 Corinthians 2:8 Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known *it*, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

Isaiah 9:6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Luke 2:11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

Just as in the time that Jesus was born, which the world now celebrates as Christmas, there is much bondage to the world system, and also to the religious system, which can be a trap and snare for Gods people. The beast system of the world, and The harlot system of the false churches. Both are tied up with the love of the world and pleasure of this flesh life. Remaining in them will prevent or give us an excuse to not deny ourself, and pick up our cross. Therefore many will not see their born again spirit being strengthened through the process of learning to love. The love of the world is a serious pit, but the harlot church is even more dangerous. It will allow us to feel like we know God, when we actually do not. The harlot church often has lovely sounding words, speeches and songs and praise, but often there is no evidence of Gods power or guidance. Love will always bring tribulation, do not be deceived into finding a church which allows the flesh life to be at ease. This is false comfort, deadly false comfort. Love confronts the flesh and carnal nature. It confronts pride and ego and selfishness. Love confronts and exposes evil and so as we actually **walk** in love, there is always a battle that follows in the mind and also the fleshly desires. All very uncomfortable to our soul. The harlot church will allow compromise— for false security or comfort. God does not change, neither His word. The times do not change the truth in any way. Not a jot.

2 Corinthians 6:17 Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean *thing*; and I will receive you,

Nahum 3:4 Because of the multitude of the whoredoms of the wellfavoured harlot, the mistress of witchcrafts, that selleth nations through her whoredoms, and families through her witchcrafts.

Revelation 17:1 And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters:

Revelation 17:5 **5**And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

We must keep in mind that Jesus left so that The Comforter could be sent to us. So God could have fellowship with us through His Spirit. So we must not become partakers of allowing a harlot church to deceive us. A harlot church fornicates with the world and with false doctrine. It strays sometimes obviously, but many times subtly from the truth. It creates another “god” that does not align fully with the Word of God. It creates a fake Jesus. Or another way that is deceit. Jesus IS The Word and does not change. How does a false church seduce us? The serpent is more subtle than any other creature, the false church uses truth, but with flesh pleasing twists and turns of the truth— which **seduces through the pleasing and comfort of our flesh life**. Many times a very lot of truth, but mixed with some dangerous and deadly lies and deceptions. It often sounds really good, but the deceits nearly always provide an easier way. And so entice the carnal man. The flesh loves an easy way, so this is a serious trap if we do not truly love The Truth. “Hath God said?” “Surely you can compromise and listen to pleasing words. Stay in my church, it's easier to feel good here.” “You will be comfortable here.” “Just listen to the man behind the pulpit and believe everything he says.” “Don't worry about being lead by The Spirit.” Just what the devil wants. To steal the relationship with God that Jesus has restored. By relying on a man. Instead of reading The Word for ourself and being lead by God for our own personal lives. It's **easier** than needing to walk by faith—if we just listen to preachers. But it is complete deception — the broad way to destruction. Putting a man between yourself and God. Deadly. We must remain absolutely faithful to The Word, and not mans doctrine. Beware the leaven of the Pharisees

2 Timothy 4:3 For the time will come when they **will not endure sound doctrine**; but wanting to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers **in accordance to their own desires**,

Genesis 3:1 Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

1 Timothy 4:1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, **giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;**

Matthew 7:13 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:

1 Corinthians 16:14 *Let all that ye do be done in love.*

We are a new creation, a born again spirit, and that spirit is matured and strengthened by **faith** and **through** Love. Therefore we must realise that The Holy Spirit is completely necessary to the operation of The Church. The true church of Jesus is lead by The Holy Spirit and it walks in the gifts through Love(Jesus). The gifts work through love and a humble heart. Not for show. The harlot church in Jesus day— - those who followed such as the Pharisees, who lead it, did not recognise Jesus The Messiah(Christ) when He came. Even after Jesus came and began His ministry, with signs and wonders and the power of God, the harlot church with the false doctrines of demons were unable to see what was right in front of their eyes. They were blinded to what was right in front of their eyes. LOVE. Remember Jesus is LOVE. They were more concerned with this life than their eternal life. Pharisees walk in religion and law to **feel** righteous. It was these very same, who **claimed to KNOW God**, who demanded pilot crucify their own messiah. They did not have a love of Gods Word in their hearts. They loved their high position.

Mark 8:15 And he charged them, saying, Take heed, beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, and of the leaven of Herod.

**{the leaven of religion and the leaven of the world— — the harlot and the beast}
{a pure heart and not departing from The Word and relationship with The Spirit is our safety}
{we are now not of the world—our identity is in our born again spirit-in Jesus—for eternity}**

For those who know Jesus, we know LOVE cares for others and needs no law— because LOVE is in our hearts, because Jesus is in our hearts. Because we asked Jesus into our hearts. And we asked The Holy Spirit to come into our hearts. And The Holy Spirit leads and guides us now, instead of the law. The truth sets us free. Not false comfort doctrine— -but the truth. We now **don't want to sin** because we love God, our Father. We are born into Gods family in Jesus(our born again spirit is perfect in Jesus, in heavenly places-with all authority). When we allow our new spirit to take dominion— - in the running of our soul(mind, will and emotions) we are able to overcome satan's kingdom— -which rules our soul through the flesh and the mind of the flesh. But love, **does not bring comfort** to the old life— it brings confrontation and trials and tribulation *as we seperate our souls from sin.*

It is a very uncomfortable and often painful process for our soul. It is a walk with God. We are giving our new born again spirit-in Jesus— -in heavenly places— dominion— as we learn to abide in Love. Love & truth overcomes the beast nature(the world) and the harlot church/leaven. Love never fails.

Celebrating the birth of Jesus is all about celebrating LOVE being available **in** us.

Jesus is Love— and in us —we walk as He walked—the truth is simple.

Let us understand what LOVE is then(1 Cor 13:4-8)

—to avoid being part of the beast

—to avoid being part of the harlot false church.

(Both of whom know not God at all)—wide is the way that leads to destruction

1 Corinthians 13 4Love suffereth long, and is kind; love envieth not; love vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, 5doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not its own, is not provoked, taketh not account of evil; 6rejoiceth not in unrighteousness, but rejoiceth with the truth; 7beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.
8Love never faileth:

These things are the things Jesus walked in. These things describe our Lord and Saviour. We could put the name Jesus in front of each. Jesus suffered long, Jesus was kind, Jesus did not lift himself up and was not puffed up with pride, Jesus did not behave unseemly, Jesus did not seek His own, Jesus was not provoked, etc. Jesus forms in us— through our **walking** in the same things. **It is our obedience to these things** which confronts and exposes the enemy. As we learn to love, we can put our own name in front of these things. But we find **we cannot walk in these things without faith**. We can try, but we will be unable. So we need faith. We need the power of The Holy Spirit. We need **relationship** with The Holy Spirit. The true church has this. The Holy Spirit will guide us to challenge and confront satan head on. By obeying these things of love. Obeying these things is key to **force** darkness into light. The Holy Spirit will guide us to confront sin head on. Sin is bondage. Sin is pleasurable to our soul, but leads to bondage and torment. The serpents fruit leads to death, not only physical death, but also spiritual eternal death(eternal separation from God). Love confronts sin. Love confronts satan. Learning to **Love is not comfortable**, so it is not wise to find a harlot church that offers comfort, by allowing us to avoid obeying all of these things. Love will crucify the flesh, it is not comfortable. Love is producing fruit for our eternal life—our spiritual eternal reality. Our flesh is ultimately left behind and we need to stop trying to appease it. Our soul is only in it temporarily. Eventually we will receive a glorified body. The enemy uses our flesh and the comfort of it to deceive us. The enemy wants to remain in control over us through the weakness of our flesh. And our love of this world. Love God, love who we are to become. The truth is simple—walk as Jesus walked, and let 1 Cor 13:4-8 be our guide, and be found **asking** The Holy Spirit to help us in this endeavour. Attempting to obey it all, and relying On God to **be** able. Without faith, we just cannot do it. Do not be taken by false doctrine that is pleasing to the flesh. Do not avoid obeying these things.

Mark 14:38 Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. **The spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak.**

Revelation 22:17 And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. **And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.**

John 4:14 **But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.**

1 John 4:8 **He that loveth not** knoweth not God; for God is love.

1 John 4:7 Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.

1 John 2:29 If ye know that he is righteous, ye know that every one that doeth righteousness is born of him.

So as we practise love, we find more and more that sin, and desires and pride, get in the way. The corruption of our fallen nature. The corruption of our other, now not valid identity, which is in flesh and in the world. Satan still rules over flesh. We rise above in Love(Jesus). And as we practise love we find suddenly and definitely— that another force is at work attempting to stop us. The more we obey 1cor13:4-7 the more this becomes apparent to us. This is why it is so hard to walk in love. Fiery trials come. This is why so many people who have tried to follow Jesus give up, because they don't understand how real the kingdom of Satan is, and how much power his kingdom has over our mind and soul. LOVE confronts evil, and evil rises up to stop us as we begin **walking** in love. There is a battle. So expect it, and overcome in God's power. As soon as we are obeying 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 —the enemy must confront and attempt to stop us. Because Love tramples them. To be able to overcome in obedience, we find we need to we turn to God's grace and ask The Spirit for help. To overcome each battle. Satan and evil spirits will overcome our flesh every time—they reign over the world. But we rise above **through faith when we ask God for help. —faith—asking—relationship activated.** *Becoming a doer.* **Faith** in Jesus in heavenly places **way above** all of their power over us. That's who we are— In Christ. We are in heavenly places. Activate the relationship, ask God for help in everything. And Christ in us then tramples them for us. We trade our weakness for His strength. We are in Him through love. Then **He is in us conquering.** When we are weak, then we are made strong. **And Satan is powerless because he finds himself suddenly fighting with God Almighty.**

Colossians 2:10 And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:

2 Corinthians 12:10 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.**

Hebrew 10:32 But call to remembrance the former days, in which, after ye were illuminated, **ye endured a great fight of afflictions;**

As we practise love, fiery trials come, and there is pain and suffering to the flesh and carnal mind—-as we battle to abide in Jesus—practising and perfecting love.

-Repentance comes first.

-We must be extremely clear where the battle begins

-It begins as we practise love—we overcome in the power of The Spirit.

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

-Victory comes as we practise love—-relying on God-(faith)

-**not being religious**, but communicating with The Holy Spirit and obeying Him, **through faith**
So we are practising love, we are not coming under the dominion of the law.

(Our walk of sanctification is—-perfecting love)

Romans 13 8Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: **for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law.** 9For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if *there be* any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, **Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.** 10Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore **love is the fulfilling of the law.**

1 Corinthians 15:56 The sting of death *is* sin; and **the strength of sin is the law.**

Therefore, **Jesus Christ forms-in us, as love** is perfected through us, as we perfect the **walk** of following and obeying The Spirit. Known as sanctification.

This is the simplicity of the gospel—we are made in the image of God.

God is LOVE

The very reason Jesus came was so that He could be in us and **love through** us.

We are able to celebrate Jesus being birthed(formed) in us and perfected in us, every day

Colossians 1 24Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the church: 25Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God; 26*Even* the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, **but now is made manifest to his saints:** 27To 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:

I imagine there is nothing that brings our Father in heaven more joy than to see the Birth of Jesus, His only begotten Son, **in us.** **We first believe, and then LOVE is perfected in us. Jesus perfected in us and then working through us.**

What we call Christmas is a perfect time to celebrate Jesus—working His Love through us.

Matthew 1:23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, **God with us.**

THE TRUTH IS LOVE is with us—the gospel is simple—we have Love—with us.

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.**

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 3:18 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 2:2 Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, *being* of one accord, **of one mind.**

1 Chronicles 12:38 **All these men of war,** that **could keep rank,** came with a **perfect heart** to Hebron, to make David king over all Israel: and all the rest also of Israel **were of one heart** to make David king.

{we are men of war—we keep rank—with a perfect heart—to make Jesus King in our lives}

Ephesians 4:3 Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

John 17:22 And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:

1 John 4:17 Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.

*{notice it is **now**—in this world—**now**—don't wait till we pass from the earth—this happens **now**}*

1 John 2:5 But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him.

What is called Christmas today is a time for us, as believers in Jesus, to celebrate the birth of Jesus and the birth of Jesus **in us**. Jesus birthday is actually everyday, because He is still being born everyday—in us and in those who are coming to Him by believing each day of the year. It is a time to remember He let His life go so that He could take it up again—in us. So He could reveal His Love through us—to the world.

So we practise love, and allow Him, as we are lead by The Spirit of God.

John 10:17 Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again.

Jesus takes up His life again in us as we practise and perfect love. The more we walk in LOVE, the more of Jesus we have manifested in us and working through us. And others can begin to see His love. We become a light in the world.

Philippians 2:15 That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, **among whom ye shine as lights in the world**;

Mark 4:8 And other fell on good ground, and **did yield fruit** that sprang up and **increased**; and brought forth, **some thirty**, and **some sixty**, and **some an hundred**.

Jude 1:12 These are spots in your feasts of charity, when **they feast with you**, feeding themselves without fear: clouds *they are* without water, carried about of winds; **trees** **whose fruit withereth**, **without fruit**, twice dead, plucked up by the roots;

Matthew 7 **15**Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. **16**Ye shall **know them by their fruits**. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? **17**Even so every **good tree** bringeth forth **good fruit**; but a **corrupt tree** bringeth forth **evil fruit**. **18**A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither *can* a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. **19**Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. **20**Wherefore **by their fruits** ye shall know them.

2 Corinthians 13:5 Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; **prove your own selves.** Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is ***in you***, *except ye be reprobates?*

Matthew 3:8 Bring forth therefore ***fruits*** meet for repentance:

James 3 **13**Who *is* a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom. **14**But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth. **15**This wisdom descendeth not from above, but *is* earthly, sensual, devilish. **16**For where **envying and strife *is***, there *is* confusion and every evil work. **17**But the wisdom **that is from above** is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, *and* easy to be intreated, **full of mercy and good fruits**, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. **18**And the **fruit of righteousness** is sown in ***peace*** of them **that *make* peace.**

Hebrews 6:1 Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, **let us go on unto *perfection***; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God,

Mark 4:8 And other fell on good ground, and ***did yield fruit*** that **sprang up and *increased***; ***and brought forth***, **some thirty**, and **some sixty**, and **some an hundred**.

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

Ephesians 5:19 (For the ***fruit*** of the Spirit *is* in all goodness and righteousness and truth;)

Colossians 3:12 **Put on therefore**, as **the elect** of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;

Colossians 3:14 and above all these things ***put on love***, which is the **bond of perfectness**.

Galatians 3:27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ **have put on** Christ.

{We can see what the fruit is—so let us yield one hundred—Jesus in us}

John 15 **1**I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman. **2**Every **branch in me** that **beareth not fruit** ***he taketh away***; and every **branch** that beareth fruit, **he purgeth it**, that it may bring forth more fruit.

{the purging of sin is painful to the old nature—the self nature or selfish nature}
{the purging though is what will bring more **fruit** of love, if we co-operate with The Spirit}

John 15:8 Herein is my Father glorified, **that ye bear much fruit;** **so**
shall ye be my disciples.

Song of Solomon 7:12 Let us get up early to the vineyards; let us see if the vine flourish,
whether the tender grape appear, *and* the pomegranates bud forth: there will I give thee my loves.

Mark 4:8 And other fell on good ground, and ***did yield fruit*** that **sprang up and *increased;***
and brought forth, **some thirty,** and **some sixty,** and **some an hundred.**

1 John 3:12 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be:
but we know that, when he shall appear, ***we shall be like him;*** for we shall see him as he is.

Each day as Jesus Christ is formed(birthed) in us we become more like Him, and more and more we see Him as He is. He is manifested in us more and more as God purges out the sin nature. It is a work of The Spirit. The old man is crucified. We are changing from a mortal fleshly life and identity, to a spiritual eternal life and identity. Because we see who we really are now. No man or teaching or preaching will be able to do this. It is a work of The Spirit as we listen to and obey Him **through love**. Our hope is our eternal identity. We see it now—by faith— not sight.

1 Corinthians 15:53 For this **corruptible** must put on incorruption, and this **mortal** *must* put on immortality.

Romans 8:19 For the earnest expectation of the creation waiteth for the revealing of the sons of God.

1 Corinthians 1:7 So that ye **come behind in no gift;** waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Jesus is coming ***now*** in us here and now More and more as He is manifested in us

Psalm 24:10 **Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he *is* the King of glory. Selah.**

Jesus, as He forms in us through love and faith is our hope of glory— here and now- and later

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:

Christmas is a perfect time to remember Jesus was first birthed in us, when we first believed—-by faith. Then is manifested in us as we obey The Spirit and follow Jesus—picking up our cross. Jesus has a different birthday in each of us on the day we believe. It is also a perfect time to remember He is being formed in us **day by day** as the fruit of the Spirit is produced through us. The **works of Jesus** working **through us** as we surrender our flesh life **to** Him, **so as to gain our higher life in Him**

John 12:25 He that loveth his life shall lose it; and **he that hateth his life in this world** shall keep it unto life eternal.

Matthew 16 **24**Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any *man* will come after me, let him **deny himself, and take up his cross**, and follow me. **25**For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it. **26**For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and **lose his own soul?** or **what shall a man give** in exchange for his soul?

Ephesians 1:18 I ask that the eyes of your heart may **be enlightened**, so that you may **know the hope** of His calling, the riches of His **glorious inheritance** in the saints,

Romans 8:23 And not only *they*, but **ourselves also**, **which have the firstfruits** of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, **waiting for the adoption, to wit**, the **redemption of our body**.

Romans 13:14 But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and **make not provision for the flesh**, to fulfil the lusts thereof.

2 Corinthians 5:2 For in this we groan, **earnestly desiring to be clothed upon** with our house which is from heaven:

Galatians 3:27 For as many of you as have been baptized **into Christ** **have** **put on Christ**.

We must ask ourselves. Are we false comfort hearers? Or are we **doers** of the word.

- We are putting on Christ **now** In this life.
- Through faith -- **which works** -- through Love
- Which works **through relationship** with The Spirit
- Who works **through the gifts** --by faith -- edifying one another -- in Love
- God in us, works through us by faith -- so Jesus takes up His life again this way
- Through** us --His works -- but **these works include faith**. They are not of flesh.

Ephesians 2:9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

2 Timothy 1:9 Who hath saved us, and called *us* with an holy calling, **not according to our works**, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,

James 2 **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.

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

Let us not be found in the harlot church, listening to a man behind a pulpit only, and not listening to and obeying The Holy Spirit. Pastors and teachers are there to bring us into relationship with the Holy Spirit who will guide us to produce much fruit, and **empower** us to be able to produce fruit. His works require faith. He often works through the **gifts** of The Spirit.

Romans 12 **6**Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether **prophecy**, *let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith*; **7**Or **ministry**, *let us wait on our ministering*: or he that teacheth, on **teaching**; **8**Or he that exhorteth, on **exhortation**: he that **giveth**, *let him do it with simplicity*; he that **ruleth**, with diligence; he that sheweth **mercy**, with cheerfulness.

1 Corinthians 12 **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.

{these all work **through faith** as The Holy Spirits leads and guides us}

1 Corinthians 14:1 Follow after love; yet **desire earnestly spiritual gifts**, but rather that ye may prophesy.

Without God we can do nothing. We must each have relationship with The Holy Spirit of God. Otherwise it is just vain religion. The truth is The Truth. And religion is religion. Walk in The Truth. The Holy Spirit will lead each of us personally—to **walk** in love. The Holy Spirit works **through the gifts** to do this, and **these gifts require faith to use** and **so the using of the gifts not only build upon our faith, but they edify and lift others up** which is—the Fruit of The Spirit. God uses your gifts to help me and He uses my gifts to help you. It is a body ministry. The gifts are of faith. The Holy Spirit wants us **each** to have and to bear fruit. The fruit is love. The fruit is Jesus being formed in us as we day by day produce more and more fruit of Jesus in us. Jesus Church operates in the power of The Holy Spirit through the gifts. The True Church.

1 Thessalonians 1:5 For our gospel came **not unto you in word only**, but **also in power, and in the Holy Ghost**, and in much assurance; as ye know what manner of men we were among you for your sake.

Matthew 13:21 But since he has no root, he remains for only a season. **When trouble or persecution comes because of the word**, he quickly falls away.

Whenever we attempt to walk in love we find that persecution comes, because the enemy despises love and will do everything to prevent us producing the fruit of love. The devil hates God, therefore the devil hates Love. It defeats him. The demonic kingdom wishes to rob us of our inheritance which is Christ in us. That is, rob us of our glory in Christ. The devil comes to steal, kill and destroy. So we learn to **expect this when we begin walking in The Spirit and the gifts**, we have all been given. We are not surprised by what love does to our enemies—it enrages them. We may well feel their anger and offence inside us, as we resist their works. Don't allow it, cast it out, they always want division between the saints. Recognise it for what it is—the enemy within.

James 4 7 *Submit yourselves therefore to God.* **Resist the devil, and he will flee** from you.
8 Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you.

{Notice this action of resisting includes relationship with God} -drawing near

We rejoice and praise God as we battle and overcome our carnal flesh and carnal mind— through faith—working through love. But it needs to be by faith and this is why the gifts are so awesome, because they build up our faith and not only that, they also help us learn to **communicate** with God, and also, edify the body—the church—one another. God can use my gifts to help you (discernment of spirits), and He can use your gift to help me (word of knowledge). God uses the whole body to keep the whole body healthy. Unity. One mind, One Spirit.

1 Corinthians 12:25 That there should be no schism in the body; **but *that* the members** should have the same **care one for another.**

Romans 13:10 Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore **love *is* the fulfilling of the law.**

We do not allow ourselves to come under the law, we choose to sow love. The law of liberty. We reap what we sow. If we sow love, we will reap a good harvest and produce good fruit. We are not following law, we are listening to The Holy Spirit as He teaches us how to walk in love. We do not allow a man to come between ourselves and God as our head. Gods teachers and preachers teach us to listen to The Spirit, and walk in the gifts and obey Him. We are not following a man, we are following Jesus. As the early apostles showed us. When we walk in love —as we form Jesus in us— as Jesus is manifested through our lives— as love begins to show forth in us— we are naturally fulfilling the law. More and more, as we are sanctified, we naturally begin to fulfil the law. But never by coming under the laws yoke. We are simply practising love. If we try to fulfil the law by attempting to obey it all, we have **missed the relationship.** No one but Jesus has ever managed to fulfil the law. We can only Love when we are abiding in Him.

1 John 4:16 And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.

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

Galatians 3:11 But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, *it is* evident: for, **The just shall live by faith.**

{the faith part requires us to draw near to God—it requires relationship— which is what Jesus came to restore to us} —don't settle for vain religion.

The yoke of Jesus, is Him, loving through us— by faith. His yoke is easy but faith is not natural to the old flesh nature. We must remember our identity. It is our born again spirit— seated in Christ. We are a new creation for all eternity— temporarily, our souls are still trapped in this temporal flesh house. But we have a better hope— an eternal one and in that hope, a better body— an eternal one. A glorified body. That is who we are forever— by faith for the moment— but after this world experience, it will be manifested. This is how we see ourselves — as part of Gods family. We are now not a fleshly creature, we are spirit. New identity.

John 14:2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if *it were* not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. **3**And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; **that where I am, there ye may be also.** **4**And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.

We see our brothers and sisters also stuck in their temporary flesh houses—our heavenly family. We can help one another now—through the gifts as we fellowship with one another. Our faith works through love and not law. We desire to show love one to another. We do not do it because of the law. We do it because our minds are being transformed to see our true heavenly hope. We rejoice. Walking in the gifts and in faith, will naturally work strength toward our relationship with The Holy Spirit. That's why without faith we cannot be well pleasing unto God. Because without Him we cannot walk in love. There is no relationship without faith. Just rules and law. Jesus yoke, is allowing His love to work THROUGH US. HIS WORKS. With faith. Believing alone is not faith. Don't be fooled by religion. True faith produces fruit. Faith requires relationship with The Holy Spirit, and **so to escape law**—we ask God to help us.

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

Ephesians 3:12 In whom **we have boldness and access** with confidence by the faith of him.

Matthew 11:28 **Come unto me,** all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. **Come unto me— {relationship/prayer/conversation with The Spirit}—trusting.**

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

So we ask The Spirit to help with sin in our lives instead of trying to obey the law. Our minds and hearts are transformed gradually— to **desire** to walk in love. Then we need no law. We simply begin to walk in love and when we find it is not possible apart from God— then we realise we **need relationship** with The Holy Spirit—we **ask for help** in time of need. We have The Holy Spirit in us. We can talk to Him whenever we wish. God with us. Our motive is love and not to obey the law. Our motivation is to love. We have grace in time of need. The law has no place in this grace. Therefore, condemnation has no place. We turn to grace, we turn to God.

Hebrews 7:19 (for the Law made nothing perfect), and a **better hope** is introduced, by which we **draw near to God.**

{we have God with us—-a better hope} -- we leave vain religion, for relationship with God}
{we don't need law when we have God Himself to instruct us in the way to go}

Psalms 32 **5** **I acknowledged my sin unto thee,** and mine iniquity have I not hid. **I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD;** and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin. Selah.

6For this shall **every one that is godly pray unto thee** in a time when thou mayest be found: surely in the floods of great waters they shall not come nigh unto him.

7Thou *art* my hiding place; thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah.

8I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go:
I will guide thee with mine eye.

9 Be ye not as the horse, *or* as the mule, *which* have no understanding: whose mouth must be held in with bit and bridle, **lest they come near unto thee.**

10 Many sorrows *shall be* to the wicked: but **he that trusteth in the LORD, mercy** shall compass him about.

11 Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, ye righteous: and shout for joy, **all ye that are upright in heart.**

Notice, **we draw near to God—relationship, because we have grace.** Don't throw grace away and choose the law. Go to God. Have faith in His grace and power to be set free from any sin. Hear His voice in our hearts. We have need of patience too though, so we learn to be patient. We can do these things now, **as we are forgiving others and showing** love and mercy and grace. As we are practising (**even if we are failing**)—walking in love. Gods grace is sufficient. God is looking at our heart and helping us to escape sins bondages. Ask. We have not because we ask not. Don't turn to law—ask and trust God to help—faith in relationship.
{we have grace}

Hebrews 4:16 **Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace,** that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

{Let us not turn to the law for righteousness—-in so doing— treating Gods grace as nought}

Hebrews 10:29 Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, **who hath trodden under foot the Son of God,** and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and **hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?**

Ephesians 4:30 And **grieve not the holy Spirit of God,** whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

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

If we come under the yoke of the law, we have left off grace, and discarded what Jesus has done for us. If we discard grace for law then we come back under its bondage and also it's torment. We are **being transformed to be motivated -to walk in love.** That is not obeying the law. We are in Relationship with God now, we are motivated to obey Him through Love. We desire to love. We do not desire to obey the law. We desire to love and ask God for help. We trust Him and believe He hears our prayers. Our faith pleases God.

- As we practise this walking in love—Jesus is forming in us.
- As Jesus forms in us— we begin naturally to fulfil the law but **via the way of love.**
- Our motive is not to obey the law.
- Our motive is to walk in Love.
- We see the difference—we have liberty to sow in love, but we need Gods help—relationship.
- Asking God for help because we know we have grace in our weaknesses. Trusting Gods grace.
- Without relationship with The Holy Spirit, we are unable. We will have no fruit—reprobate.
- So if we try to obey the law—-we are unable— because it is by our faith in asking Gods help that we gain the victory—-which brings us to relationship—**turning to Gods grace and asking** for help—**confessing sin to God and repenting.** Grace and relationship.
- This humbles us. His mercy endures forever.

- We cannot abandon Gods grace by trying to obey the law—-we simply practise-then perfect, love.
- God helps us in our weakness and sin, as we struggle against sin, Jesus died for this purpose.
- Jesus set us free. Remember, the strength of sin **is the law.** **Trust Gods Grace and mercy.**
- Trying to do it ourself by obeying laws does not humble us, and we will never be able to walk in love by obeying the law. We are **trying to fix ourself** up if we do this. It is not faith in God.
- The law of liberty. If we want to reap **forgiveness and mercy and love and grace and peace.**
We sow **forgiveness and mercy and love and grace and peace.**
- **our motive is changing from obeying law, to desiring to show and sow love.**

James 2 12 So **speak** ye, and so **do**, as they that shall be judged **by the law of liberty.**
13 For he shall have judgment without mercy, that hath shewed no mercy; and mercy rejoiceth against judgment.

Luke 6 37 Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven: **38** Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. **For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.**

{Reaping good things and bad things} —-we learn to desire to sow good—-abundantly

Luke 6 35 But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil. **36** **Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful.**

Under the law of liberty **our motive is to** sow love and mercy and forgiveness and kindness and gentleness and to not judge or become offended. Not because of law but because we will reap these same things we are now sowing, from God. Because we love The Truth. We want to reap good, so we are motivated to do good. We transform the way we think.

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

This world has trained us to think of ourself. Gods word trains us to think of others. Then the blessings are poured out. We haven't come under the law. We are freed from the law by walking in love. We are learning to reap a good harvest through our liberty to now walk in love. Being blessed by the things we are sowing toward others. The more abundant love we sow toward others—the more we are blessed. This is how Gods heaven operates. The world operates in reverse. Our identity is in Christ— in heavenly places. Our real identity is eternally with God in heavenly places. We can operate by heavens rules now. Bringing things unseen and supernatural to this world. By faith though, and the law of liberty—to love. But we find we cannot until we turn to God for help—to walk in love. So we **need our communication with God**, to get help in time of need. The throne of grace. We must ask God for help, **so we do not fall** under law. We remain **TRUSTING** grace—in relationship. Draw near to God. Trust Him.

Ephesians 2:6 And hath **raised us up** together, and **made us sit together in heavenly places** in Christ Jesus:

Galatians 2:16 know that a man is not justified by works of the Law, but by faith in Jesus Christ. So we, too, have believed in Christ Jesus, that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the Law, because by works of the Law no one will be justified.

We do not have our faith in a pastors faith, that is another gospel. We have our own relationship with God through grace. If we have a problem we ask God, Jesus gave up His life to restore this relationship with God. We can seek Godly council also. God can and does speak to us through pastors and brethren. But ***it is still Gods voice*** we are listening for—even through others. If we have a sin we cannot overcome, we turn to God for help. We certainly do not come under condemnation- by coming under the law. We remember we have grace and that Gods mercy endures forever. We say— God I need your help. I cannot escape this sin, help me please. **In the middle of our sin and pride and rebellion**—we ask for help. Amidst our failings we ask for help. We have grace. Help me please, thank-you Jesus, for grace and forgiveness. We trust Gods grace. We trust Gods mercy. This is where **the law of liberty works for us**—**if we are forgiving others**—we will have confidence that we are forgiven. If we are not judging others we will not be being judged by God. To the same measure in each. We will know God is forgiving us/by our own forgiveness. We will have faith. Our heart won't be condemning us.

1 John 3:21 Beloved, **if our heart condemn us not**, then have we confidence toward God.

Matthew 6 14For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you:
15But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

We become motivated by the law of liberty. We decide **we now want to forgive** so we are able to **receive** forgiveness ourselves. From the heart. And we **need Gods help** to be able to forgive. Relationship. Judge yourself free by freeing others— not judging them.

John 15:5 I am the vine, ye *are* the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for **without me ye can do nothing**.

John 15:16 Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, **that ye should go and bring forth fruit**, *and that your fruit should remain*: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

Galatians 3 1O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you? **2**This only would I learn of you, **Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?** **3**Are ye so foolish? having **begun in the Spirit**, are ye now *made perfect by the flesh*? **4**Have ye suffered so many things **in vain**? if *it be* yet in vain.

5He therefore that ministereth to you **the Spirit**, and worketh miracles among you, *doeth he it* by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?

6Even as Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness. **7****Know ye therefore that they which are of faith**, the same are the children of Abraham. **8**And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, *saying*, In thee shall all nations be blessed. **9****So then they which be of faith** are blessed with faithful Abraham.

1 Chronicles 29:9 9Then the people rejoiced, for that **they offered willingly**, because **with perfect heart they offered willingly** to the LORD: and David the king also rejoiced with great joy.

1 Chronicles 29 10Wherefore David blessed the LORD before all the congregation: and David said, Blessed *be* thou, LORD God of Israel our father, for ever and ever. 11Thine, O LORD, *is* the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all *that is* in the heaven and in the earth *is thine*; thine *is* the kingdom, O LORD, and thou art exalted as head above all. 12Both riches and honour *come* of thee, and thou reignest over all; and in thine hand *is* power and might; and in thine hand *it is* to make great, and to give strength unto all. 13Now therefore, **our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious name.**

Isaiah 12

1And in that day thou shalt say, O LORD, I will praise thee: though thou wast angry with me, thine anger is turned away, and thou comfortedst me.

2Behold, God *is* my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH *is* my strength and *my* song; he also is become my salvation.

3Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation.

4And in that day shall ye say, Praise the LORD, call upon his name, declare his doings among the people, make mention that his name is exalted.

5Sing unto the LORD; for he hath done excellent things: this *is* known in all the earth.

6Cry out and shout, thou inhabitant of Zion: for great *is* the Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee.

Ephesians 2 1And you did he make alive, when ye were dead through your trespasses and sins, 2wherein ye once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the powers of the air, of the spirit that now worketh in the sons of disobedience;

3among whom we also all once lived in the lust of our flesh, doing the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, even as the rest:— 4but God, being rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, 5even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (**by grace have ye been saved**),

6and **raised us up with him, and made us to sit with him in the heavenly places** , in Christ Jesus: 7that in the ages to come he might show the exceeding riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus: 8for by grace have ye been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; 9not of works, that no man should glory.

10For we are his workmanship, **created in Christ Jesus for good works**, which God afore prepared that we should walk in them.