**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.** 

**John 13:21** 21When Jesus had thus said, he was troubled in spirit, and testified, and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, that one of you shall betray me.

<u>John 12:27</u> Now is my soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour: <u>but</u> for this cause came I unto this hour.

<u>Galatians 2:20</u> <u>I am crucified</u> 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.

Jesus greatest victory and the very reason Jesus, who was Gods only begotten Son came as The Son of man and also the Son of God was so that He could go to the cross. The cross was His great victory. Jesus went to His cross physically in order that we would be able to go to our cross spiritually. He made the way for us to do this. Jesus is not on the cross any more, Jesus is risen. Like Jesus, we too, now die to this world and the love of this physical life in order to take up our new life in heavenly places. Jesus is risen and so we can now rise also, in Him. His resurrection made it possible for us to Now rise up into heavenly places in Him. The power of His resurrection. We crucify our flesh through the power of The Spirit. We rise up in the spirit by abiding in Christ. We can do this because under grace, God sees us as righteous in Christ. Our sins and iniquities are forgiven. Jesus flesh isn't on the cross, ours is. We crucify this life and take up our life in Jesus. We come alive in the spirit. Resurrection life. Jesus takes up His life again in us. We are lights in the world, we have Jesus in us, we have The Holy Spirit in us. We have the power and authority of God in us. Who can be against us. Because God is for us.

**Matthew 5:14** Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.

Romans 8:31 What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?

We <u>now</u> see our **spiritual life(not the flesh)** through our sure hope —which is for all eternity — this is who we **ARE now**, sons and daughters of the most high God. We have access to the kingdom of heaven <u>now</u> through faith. We need not sit here like defenceless mortals, we are mighty in God right now and we can take dominion over the enemy. We have power and authority <u>now</u> through faith. Purely by faith and believing, it is not by sight, faith is not by sight. Jesus was resurrected on the third day, by faith <u>we</u> are <u>risen with Him</u> at the right hand of God.

<u>Colossians 3:1</u> 1If ye then be risen with Christ, **seek those things which are above,** where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.

We crucify the flesh life and allow Jesus to be Lord of our lives. We deny our flesh and the pleasures and false comforts of this world and also any hurt past or emotional pain, in order to allow Jesus to come in and work through us. He works through us, His body, to do exactly the same thing He did with His own flesh body. He gave up His flesh body/life so He could take up His life again through our flesh bodies. Jesus in us the hope of glory. We become vessels that God can use, exactly as God used Jesus when He came. God wants to use us just the same way. Let go of vain traditions, rituals and religiosity — our Father in heaven wants to work through us. Just as He worked through Jesus. Jesus followed The Holy Spirit. We have the same Spirit. We can do all the things He did — and greater.

**John 14:12 Verily, verily,** I say unto you, He that believeth on me, <u>the works that I do shall he</u> <u>do also</u>; and <u>greater works than these</u> shall he do; because <u>I go unto my Father.</u>

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

<u>Colossians 1</u> <u>26Even</u> the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is **made manifest to his saints: 27**To whom God would make known what *i*s the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is **Christ in you**, the **hope** of glory:

God works through each of us to bring others to the truth. We become Jesus hands and feet and mouth and eyes and ears. We must open our eyes and ears and allow this truth to enter our hearts. God is not after ritual, He wants to use us as He used Jesus. We begin to do exactly what Jesus did in whatever capacity The Lord gives us. We now give our flesh bodies to Gods purpose, just as Jesus walked. We allow Jesus to come in and love through us. To do this the old man/nature must be crucified. We must carry our cross. Deny ourself. Follow what Jesus did with His life. Follow and obey The Spirit. Jesus obeyed The Spirit. He did what He saw His Father doing. God is now <u>our</u> Father. The Spirit of The Father is in us. If we believe we are a new creation, with a born again spirit, then our Father is God. By faith we are Gods Sons and daughters, so <u>we live like we believe this</u> and follow Gods Spirit. The Spirit of The Father. Our eternal soul is choosing things unseen above. Letting the flesh life go.

**Ephesians 2:18** For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.

So we see **Jesus is still working** in the world **through His saints(us)** who surrender their lives to Him. **Jesus is alive** in the world **today**. He is risen. But He is also come in our flesh.

**2 John 1:7** For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that **Jesus Christ is come in the flesh.** This is a **deceiver** and an **antichrist**.

Jesus takes up His life again, He was crucified, but He was resurrected, and He takes up His life again in us. If we allow Him to. By putting the old nature on the cross. We put our old identity(the flesh life) away. We take up our new identity, our life in the spirit. We are Jesus body on Earth now because He gave up His own flesh body for this very purpose. Instead of just one Jesus, Jesus is now able to work throughout the whole world through many bodies. Through us His body the church. He has many flesh bodies now to work through instead of just the one He had. He can work Gods power **through each of us** now. They never would have crucified Jesus had they known. The cross was an awesome victory. Jesus is Risen. We listen to and obey The Spirit, just as He did. We walk in power, like He did. Religiosity, ritual and traditions are used by Satan and anti-christ spirits to keep us from coming to this

knowledge. To keep us from coming to the knowledge of The Truth. If there's no power, it is just vain religion. Having a form of godliness but denying the power of the fact that God is in us and able to do all things even above and beyond what we can ask or imagine. The truth — not antichrist religion.

**2 Timothy 3** 5Having a form of godliness, but <u>denying the power</u> thereof: from such turn away. 6For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts, **7Ever learning**, and **never able** to come to the **knowledge of the truth**.

**Ephesians 3:20** Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that **worketh in us**,

{vain religion and antichrist - deny Jesus from being able to work through us in power}

- 1 Corinthians 2 8Which none of the princes of this world knew: for <u>had they known</u> *it*, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory
- 1 Corinthians 4:20 For the kingdom of God is not in word, but in power.
- Mark 1:15 And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.

Matthew 10:33 But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.

Antichrist denies Jesus Christ is in us and also that **the power of God flows through us.** The Word comes with power. Vain religion and antichrist doesn't come with power. It comes with ritual and tradition and great pretence and nice sounding words and speeches. The same as the Pharisees. To keep Gods people from coming to The Truth. It may come with <u>illusions</u> of power and signs through the demonic spirits. But not Gods power. Antichrist likes us to still see Jesus as a man hanging helpless on the cross. Instead of resurrected. Antichrist spirits and religious spirits like to have us listening to men in pulpits and following them to keep us from following The Spirit. A terrible trap — vain religion. Jesus the man was crucified. Jesus The Son of God is resurrected. And He is in us. Antichrist would deny us our heritage as sons of the most high God. We have power and authority. We have God in us. We should not deny Jesus in us, from working through us. In Love. Gods power always works through love. We know them by their fruit. Look for the fruit of The Spirit.

Galatians 5 22But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, 23Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

1 John 4:3 And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.

**{vain religion and antichrist - deny Jesus from being able to work through us in power}** 

<u>Colossians 2:8</u> Beware lest any man <u>spoil you</u> through **philosophy and vain deceit**, after the <u>tradition</u> of men, after the <u>rudiments of the world</u>, and not after Christ.

{vain religion and antichrist - deny Jesus from being able to work through us in power}

<u>John 15:26</u> 26But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:

**Mark 1:15** And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God **is** at hand: **repent** ye, and believe the gospel.

Matthew 15 8This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.

**9**But **in vain** they do worship me, **teaching** for doctrines the **commandments of men**.

**Romans 1** 3Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh; 4And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead: 5By whom we have received grace and apostleship, for obedience to the faith among all nations, for his name: 6Among whom are ye also the called of Jesus Christ:

Let vain religion go — run from it. Allow The Holy Spirit to work through each of us. Have a relationship with The Comforter. Walk in the Truth not in the world. Walk in the power and use the gifts. Don't let religion steal away Gods power working through us. Jesus is not on the cross He is risen at the right hand of The Father and He is in us. Christ in us The Hope of Glory.

**Colossians 1 26**Even **the mystery** which hath <u>been hid from ages and from generations</u>, but **now** is made manifest **to his saints**: **27**To whom <u>God would make **known**</u> what *is* the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is **Christ in you**, the hope of glory:

**2 John 1:7** For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.

<u>1 John 4:3</u> And every spirit that confesseth not that <u>Jesus Christ is come in the flesh</u> is not of God: and this is that *spirit* of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.

There are many religious spirits working through vain religion, not confessing the power of Jesus Christ working through men today. Not confessing that Jesus Christ works through our flesh bodies—earthen vessels. Vain religion is extremely dangerous. It leaves its followers with no power, no authority and with no Jesus. This is another Gospel. Antichrist spirits, just as in Jesus Day, working through men and churches to keep vain traditions and great sounding speeches but prevent the very victory that Jesus has given us. The power of God. The power of the resurrection.

<u>Galatians 1</u> 6I marvel that **ye are so soon removed from him** that called you into the grace of Christ **unto another gospel: 7**Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would **pervert the gospel** of Christ.

**2 Corinthians 11** 3But 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. **4For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus,** whom we have not preached, or **if ye receive another spirit,** which ye have not received, **or another gospel,** which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with *him*.

Mark 16 16He that <u>believeth</u> and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. 17And <u>these</u> signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall

they cast out devils;

they shall speak with new tongues;

18They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them;

they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

**19**So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, **he was received up into heaven**, and sat on the right hand of God. **20**And they went forth, and preached every where, **the Lord working with** *them*,

and **confirming the word with signs following.** Amen.

The True Gospel. Jesus has come in our flesh and we <u>each</u> can do these things. He that believes— these signs shall follow. The word comes with power. Antichrist denies this through religion. Antichrist brings another gospel and another Jesus, the broad way to destruction. Many deny the power of the resurrection, the power of The Spirit in us. Wide is the way that leads to destruction. Jesus is the way. **We confess the power of Jesus in us,** and the word of confession will bring faith to work that power. Evil spirits work through men and religion to deny the church any power. Antichrist. Powerless church. Powerless jesus(evil religious spirit). Come out of agreement with antichrist. Do not deny the power of God in us.

- <u>1 John 2:18</u> Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, <u>even now are there many antichrists</u>; whereby we know that it is the last time.
- **2 John 1:7** For **many deceivers** are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.
- <u>1 John 4:3</u> And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that *spirit* of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and <u>even now already is it in the world.</u>

{The True Church walks in The Power of God — it walks as Jesus walked} {antichrist religion does not} {as we each are discipled we learn to do as Jesus disciples did}— it is a walk

<u>Jesus raised up disciples — Jesus church, raises up disciples</u>
Jesus disciples walked in the power of The Holy Spirit

**1 John 2:6** He that saith he abideth in him *ought himself* also so to walk, *even as he walked*.

Die to this world, to gain a far better and eternal one. By faith we are already in the kingdom of God. The kingdom of God is at hand. <u>Is</u> means now. It's not by sight it's by faith. As we let the flesh life die, we walk more and more in the kingdom of God. Right now, right here.

We must see our new life, it is in the spirit, in Jesus for eternity. It <u>is</u> now. This is our identity <u>now</u>. <u>Jesus was resurrected so we could also have new life</u>. <u>Thank</u> God and <u>praise</u> Him for this — this shows we believe. A confession of faith. <u>Thank</u> God and <u>praise</u> God that we have salvation — it shows we believe. <u>The words we speak are very important</u>, <u>always speak life</u>. **Thank** God and <u>praise</u> God for redeeming and sanctifying — it shows we believe.

The confession activates our faith.

We are Sons of God, part of Gods family.

<u>1 Peter 1</u> 3Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath <u>begotten us again unto a lively hope</u> by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, 5Who are <u>kept by the power</u> of God <u>through faith</u> unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. 6Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations: 7That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto <u>praise</u> and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ: 8Whom having not seen, <u>ye love</u>; in whom, though now ye see him not, <u>yet believing</u>, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory: 9Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls.

Our souls have a new destiny through Jesus. Our soul is in this flesh for a short while but we, by faith, take hold of our new life. By faith we are leaving the flesh. Abiding in Jesus. Our hope is eternal life. Our identity is spirit. It is a sure hope based on our faith in believing Gods Word is true. If we **thank** God and **praise** God for this, continually—daily, we confess we believe. We confess with our mouth. This is very very important. Believe and confess it through **thanksgiving** and **praise**. Sacrifice the flesh. Faith is activated. Spiritual life.

{thanksgiving and praise Strengthens our faith and confesses our faith. It is a sacrifice to the flesh}

**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.

**Jeremiah 33**8And I will cleanse them from all their iniquity, whereby they have sinned against me; and I will pardon all their iniquities, whereby they have sinned, and whereby they have transgressed against me. 9And it shall be to me a name of joy, a praise and an honour before all the nations of the earth, which shall hear all the good that I do unto them: and they shall fear and tremble for all the goodness and for all the prosperity that I procure unto it.

**10**Thus saith the LORD; Again there shall be heard in this place, which ye say *shall be* desolate without man and without beast, *even* in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, that are desolate, without man, and without inhabitant, and without beast.

**11**The voice of joy, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, **the voice of them that shall say**,

**Praise** the LORD of hosts:

for the LORD is good; for his mercy endureth for ever:

and of them that shall bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the LORD.

For I will cause to return the captivity of the land, as at the first, saith the LORD.

{in the wilderness of our trials we give sacrifices of praise and worship declaring Gods goodness} {**praising** God is sacrificing the flesh — denying the flesh glory, and giving God glory}

{There is great victory in **praising** God and **thanking** God- A **confession** of our **believing**} {**thanking** and **praising** God denies the flesh and Satan any glory}

**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.

{ Jesus is risen — not on the cross }

<u>Psalm 100:4</u> <u>Enter into his gates</u> with <u>thanksgiving</u>, and <u>into his courts</u> with <u>praise</u>: be <u>thankful</u> unto him, and bless his name.

{THIS BRINGS US CLOSE TO GOD AND INTO HIS PRESENCE}
Thanksgiving Praise Worship

We transform our minds to conform to the truth. We speak the truth. We take hold of the hope and take dominion over sin. We have been given all power and authority over Satan, so we thank God and praise Him for it, and THEN WE USE IT. We are born anew into Gods family. We let this physical world and life die, to take up our new life. We see it through our hope by believing The Truth. We stand on Gods promises. Our life is now <u>in</u> Jesus and **He takes up His life again** through our bodies. We are the body of Christ. Our souls are eternal. Our flesh is not. Our souls — our mind, will and emotions, our being, now seeks the kingdom of God. God is the kingdom. We let go of the world and seek God. We deny the flesh what it lusts after. **God Himself is our reward.** 

**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**.

<u>Mark 8:35</u> For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it.

Satan works through sin, the open door of sin. This is why God wants us to depart from sin. Sin allows Satan dominion over us. Had Satan known, he never would have crucified Jesus. Through Judas love of money, Satan gained a foothold and used it to cause him to betray Jesus. Satan will do the same to us if we allow, and cause us to betray and become **offended** at **one another** in whom Jesus now lives. So then we are betraying Jesus too. Like Judas. Satan not only used Judas for this, he used every person that was available to him to betray Jesus and to put Him on the cross. He used the open doors of sin to enter those who obeyed him through sin. He used vain religion, Pharisees and Sadducees etc, who had no relationship with Jesus. But he also used Judas who did have relationship with Jesus, and followed him, and was taught by him — but loved his sin more. We must remember that grace is the **power** to overcome sin. Judas didn't overcome.

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

- **13Neither yield ye your members** *as* **instruments of unrighteousness unto sin:** but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members *as* instruments of righteousness unto God.
- 14For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

{Grace - <u>knowing</u> <u>Jesus</u> paid the price for our salvation and forgiveness of sins}

If we **know** this, and **believe** this, And **remain** in this, we are under grace and so can trample the enemy who have been controlling and enslaving us through sin.

Therefore  $\underline{\mathbf{we have power}}$  over  $\sin - \text{through grace} - \text{believing Jesus work at the cross.}$ 

Under grace we can take dominion and cast Satans kingdom out.

We have power to escape sin—knowing **Jesus paid** for this—standing on His foundation.

It has to be His righteousness, it cannot be because of our goodness or because we think we deserve it. As soon as we think we are good enough to deserve it, we come under law and fall from grace. Being judges. Jesus fulfilled the law and His grace saves us from it. As long as we don't begin to judge ourselves unworthy or worthy because of our efforts to be good, or our failures. Judging ourselves or others to be deserving or undeserving is to come under the law. If we judge even ourself worthy or unworthy we are throwing grace away and coming under law. We are simply made righteous through believing the gospel. Under law Satan has dominion. The strength of sin is the law. We must remember, Jesus paid for our righteousness, our righteousness is in Him. Not in our goodness. This is how we stay under grace. Accepting the gift. If we start from this point, and remain there always, we move forward on the correct foundation. In JESUS.

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

{praise God for salvation, thank God for His mercy and compassion and kindness}
{praising God and thanking God for what we believe is true, whether we see it or feel it or before it is made manifest is a confession of our faith}.

Our words then bring life to The Truth.

{this brings us to the gates and courts of God, Near to Gods presence}

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

1 Corinthians 4:3 But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgment: yea, I judge not mine own self.

**Romans 14:22** Hast thou faith? have *it* to thyself before God. Happy *is* he that **condemneth not himself** in that thing which he alloweth.

{Our righteousness remains very simple if we remain knowing it is through the cross alone}

Not based on us deserving it — based on the fact **it is a gift** that we don't deserve Then we have no need to try and strive to earn Gods salvation or grace — <u>we have it already</u> Then we confess it *[empower our faith]* through our **thanking** God and **praising** Him for it

If we remember this, it will keep us from striving to obey the law to EARN Gods grace

Grace is not an excuse to stay in sin, but the power over sin — to depart from it

**John 12** 4Then saith one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's *son*, which should betray him, 5Why was not this ointment sold for three hundred pence, and given to the poor? 6This he said, not that he cared for the poor; but because he was a thief, and had the bag, and bare what was put therein.

**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.

<u>James 4:4</u> Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? **whosoever** therefore will be a friend of the world is the **enemy of God.** 

Coveting is sin and Judas loved money, He loved the world more than obeying Jesus. He loved his idol more than he loved Jesus. Satan used this to destroy him and to cause him to become offended and then betray Jesus. The Pharisees loved prestige, position and many other idols. They were not denying themselves and learning from Jesus. They all thought they were following and worshipping God, but they didn't recognise their own messiah. They all thought they were believers. These were all thinking they worshipped God. These betrayed Jesus and also demanded Pilate crucify Jesus. But if we particularly take our warning from Judas who knew The Lord so well, we can see the need to let sin, and the world, and it's idols go. The need to depart from sin. Give no place to the devil. Judas walked with the Jesus, just like the rest of the disciples and he cast out demons and healed the sick, just as they did. But he loved the world more and the things in the world more than The Truth. He could not endure to the end because his idols took him. Sanctification is a walk. To come into Jesus image and be holy as He is Holy. JESUS CAME TO RESTORE RELATIONSHIP. WITH GOD. WITH THE COMFORTER.

**Romans 8:14** For as many as are **led by the Spirit** of God, they are the sons of God.

Pharisees weren't led by Jesus. Jesus was led by The Spirit. We all MUST BE LED PERSONALLY. JESUS RESTORED RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD SO WE BY THE SPIRIT. COULD BE LED BY THE SPIRIT — AND NOT THE LAW. WE ARE NOT UNDER LAW, WE ARE OBEYING THE SPIRIT OF GOD. The Holy Spirit is leading each of us individually to deal with sin in our lives. We are not condemned by sin any more, because we have grace. When we see sin in our lives, we have power and choice to depart from it. We have The Comforter to help us confront and depart from idols and sin. The flesh loves sin, but we have a new spirit. We are a new creation. We transform our minds. By faith we will be with God in Heaven for eternity. So we let the body of sin die and be crucified with Christ, so that our new life in the spirit can be manifested through our faith in the grace we have been given — knowing Jesus paid everything for us. Jesus made the way for us. **Thanking** God for salvation. **Praising** Him for it. There is power in doing this. It is a sacrifice of the flesh. Because it is not by sight, and the flesh finds it difficult under fiery trials. Building upon Jesus. Upon the Truth — we are saved by faith in believing. Not because we are worthy of eternal life but because Jesus gave it to us. Jesus gives us grace. Standing in this alone keeps us under grace and out from the laws nasty grasp. Remembering the strength of sin is the law. Our righteousness is paid for already, in Jesus Christ. We cannot strive to be good to earn it. We simply listen to, follow and obey The Holy Spirit. He is our guide now, we don't come under law. Just as Jesus did(but He also fulfilled the law perfectly—so we wouldn't have to). We obey The Spirit. We have relationship with The Comforter instead of the law. So we start by thanking Jesus and praising Him for salvation, and then move forward from this foundation. BY FAITH —We are saved, now we can begin to **depart from sin** with The Holy Spirits help. The foundation — we are saved **by grace. Then** we follow the Spirit, just as Jesus did. As we learn to love, we also begin to fulfil the law because Love is the fulfilment of the law.

<u>John 8:28</u> Then said Jesus unto them, When ye have lifted up the Son of man, then shall ye know that I am *he*, and *that* I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things.

<u>Galatians 4:6</u> And because ye are sons, <u>God hath sent forth the Spirit</u> of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.

**Ephesians 4:27** Neither give place to the devil.

Satan used the Pharisees and Sadducees and every other sect and religious group to put Jesus on the cross. Traditions of men and religious vanity. Love of the world and pride. They did Satans biding. Taken by their idolatry. There are two bodies on the earth. The body of Christ — of which Jesus is the head, and the body of evil — of which Satan is the head. Truth or vanity. Jesus trained and raised up those who followed and endured and obeyed and learned from Him. But even with the twelve disciples, we see there was one that followed and learned and even had relationship with Jesus, but did not obey the truth. Judas had an idol in his heart, he coveted money. His idol caused him to become offended at Jesus over the apparent waste, and so he opened the door to Satan. He was called by Jesus but in the end not chosen, because he preferred this world and the things in it. He was given over to his idols. If we become offended or betray one another, we do the same as Judas, because we each are the body of Jesus. We should always look to the edifying of the body.

**Luke 8:14** And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of *this* life, and bring no fruit to perfection.

**Matthew 22:14** For many are called, but few *are* chosen.

<u>Matthew 7</u> 21Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. 22Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? 23And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

{Judas is an example set for our warning and admonition}

**Galatians 5:18** But **if ye be led of the Spirit,** ye are **not** under the law.

Relationship with God verses law. Truth or vanity. Grace or condemnation. Disciple or Pharisee. Power or powerless. Sanctification or return to the vomit. In our walk, as we are led by The Spirit, we are departing from sin. As The Spirit leads. We must come out of agreement with the <u>religious mindset</u>. Powerlessness. Following men. Once again. We are not condemned by sin, because we have grace. We can't be condemned by the law because we aren't under it, we are <u>obeying The Spirit</u> instead. Because Jesus paid for forgiveness of sin. So now, <u>having grace</u>, <u>we have power</u> to escape sin. To be sanctified is to be set apart from sin. The Holy Spirit is leading us each to be sanctified. It all works as long as we remember it's because Jesus gives us grace. We don't deserve it. We can't earn it. But we have been given it. We <u>abide</u> in Jesus, under grace. It cannot be because we think we deserve it. It cannot be because we are good. It's Gods grace. We remember grace is in Jesus. Once we know our righteousness is found in Jesus alone, we <u>then</u> and only then have His grace and so now the law has no dominion over us.

**Ephesians 2:8** For **by grace are ye saved** through faith; and that **not of yourselves:** *it is* the **gift** of God:

But **there are many fiery trials** testing our faith as we battle to depart from sin. We must be lead by The Spirit and be obedient to the Spirit who is leading us to depart from sin. Our souls are

caught between the flesh and the spirit. We must not begin to think we are righteous because we are doing more good. We must always remain knowing our righteousness comes through Jesus. If we know this, we are in Jesus grace and there is now no condemnation. Then we are not under law and we rise above in the spirit as we **obey** The Spirit, and now we have dominion **over all the power** of the enemy. We are in a position now to escape the enslavement and bondage that sin brings. Whatever The Spirit is dealing with us or showing us at this time. It is a walk with God. If we become self righteous, we fall back under law and condemnation. Jesus makes us righteous.

**Romans 8:1** There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are <u>in</u> Christ Jesus, who walk **not after the flesh**, but after the Spirit.

<u>Luke 10:19</u> Behold, I give **unto <u>you</u>** power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and <u>over all the power</u> of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

1 Corinthians 10 5But with many of them God was not well pleased: for they were overthrown in the wilderness. 6Now these things were our examples, 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.

{we have grace and power to depart from these things, we have The Comforter to help us}

**John 14:16** And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever.

Judas Iscariot's idol dragged him away from Jesus(who was his Comforter) and this allowed Satan to enter him. He could not continue to follow Jesus because money, which he coveted, was more important to him than following and obeying Jesus. He became blind to the truth. He was obeying Satan, enslaved through his sin which he would not sacrifice. Jesus said that to whom you obey, is to whom you are servant. Judas became Satans servant unwittingly, just as the religious hypocrites(Pharisees) who demanded pilot crucify Jesus also were servants of Satan. Guided and driven by demons unknowingly. The Pharisees were offended at the truth. They were offended at Jesus. They were envious of Him and the miracles He did. We must have a love of The Truth, without the twisting and turning of vain religion and mans tradition. We should love seeing the power of Jesus working through our brothers and sisters through healing, signs and wonders. Christ in us the hope of glory. We don't want to end up like them. The Word is The Truth. The truth can be very offensive to the carnal mind. The carnal mind loves its idols. The carnal mind wants the things that are seen, it rebels against faith. The carnal mind is Gods enemy. Let the truth reign in our hearts. Don't become a Judas.

**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;

**Luke 7:23** And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me.

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

<u>John 13:27</u> And after the sop Satan entered into him. Then said Jesus unto him, That thou doest, do quickly.

<u>Luke 22:3</u> Then entered Satan into Judas surnamed Iscariot, being of the number of the twelve.

In the flesh, we are under evils power. If we **remain under grace**(knowing our righteousness is in Jesus alone) and follow and **obey** The Spirit, we have power over the enemy. Because we rise above the flesh in Jesus into the spirit, above Satan. We rise into our new true identity. The Spirit leads us(personally) in our walk to be sanctified. No man can do this. Do not put your faith in a man — this is idolatry. The Spirit helps us and guides us depart from sin and iniquity. As we walk with Him he **reveals** places of sin and iniquity, which we **now** have power to escape. As we do, we come more and more into Jesus image.

**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.

## Matthew 16 19And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven:

and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

20Then charged he his disciples that they should tell no man that he was Jesus the Christ.

Jesus true disciples were given power and authority and the keys of the kingdom. In the meantime(the religious), those who hated the truth, were plotting and gathering to kill him. They should have recognised Jesus by the works He was doing. They were enslaved to demons who wanted Jesus crucified— not knowing the victory that would come from this. They never would have crucified Jesus had they known it was their imminent defeat. It wasn't the worldly people that wanted Jesus crucified. Pilate(roman gentile governor) wanted to release Jesus, it was those that claimed to know and worship God. Religious pretenders. They didn't know nor worship God, but thought that they did. It was the religions of the day who wanted Jesus crucified. They should have recognised Him by the power of God — the works He did. **Believers** today should recognise the True Church today by the works **Jesus is doing** through it today. Through His believers.

**John 4:24** God *is* a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship *him* in spirit and in truth.

<u>Matthew 16</u> 21 From that time forth began Jesus to shew unto his disciples, how that he must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day.

22<u>Then Peter</u> took him, and began to rebuke him, saying, Be it far from thee, Lord: this shall not be unto thee. 23But he turned, and said unto Peter, <u>Get thee behind me, Satan</u>: thou art an offence unto me: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, **but those that be of men.** 

24Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any *man* will come after me, let him **deny himself**, and **take up his cross**, and <u>follow me</u>. 25For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it. 26For 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?

We see Even Peter, was used by Satan, but he repented. He remained following Jesus. Despite his mistakes and weaknesses. Peter remained faithful. He even denied Jesus three times. Peter **endured** even through this, **to the end.** Judas did not.

- <u>Mark 13:13</u> And ye shall be hated of all *men* for my name's sake: but **he that shall endure unto the end,** the same shall be saved.
- **John 19:15** But they cried out, Away with *him*, away with *him*, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Caesar.
- **John 19:30** When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and **gave** up the ghost.
- **John 5 30**I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.
- **31**If I bear witness of myself, my witness is not true. **32**There is another that beareth witness of me; and I know that the witness which he witnesseth of me is true.
- **33**Ye sent unto John, and he bare witness unto the truth. **34**But I receive not testimony from man: but these things I say, that ye might be saved. **35**He was a burning and a shining light: and ye were willing for a season to rejoice in his light.
- **36**But I have greater witness than *that* of John: for the works which the Father hath given me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of me, that the Father hath sent me.

## {the works we do bear witness that Jesus has sent us and is in us}— a testimony

- **37**And the Father himself, which hath sent me, hath borne witness of me. Ye have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape. **38**And ye have not his word abiding in you: for whom he hath sent, him ye believe not.
- 39Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me. 40And <u>ye will not come to me</u>, that ye might have life. 41I receive not honour from men. 42But I know you, that ye have not the love of God in you. 43I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive. 44How can ye believe, which receive honour one of another, and seek not the honour that *cometh* from God only? 45Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is *one* that accuseth you, *even* Moses, in whom ye trust. 46For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. 47But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?

Jesus had to go so The Comforter could come. The resurrection of Jesus is the power of God. Jesus is resurrected in us as we crucify our flesh. Resurrection life. Christ in us. We are in Christ. The law of Moses will accuse us and judge us if we do not accept grace but remain in the law. The law will be our judge. Condemned. If we don't accept relationship with The Holy Spirit in obeying His voice, but strive to obey the law. There is no power without The

Spirit. There is no power found under the law. There is no relationship with God found through the law. Jesus came so The Comforter could come in order that we could have relationship with God. Not with pastors and preachers, but with God. The works that Jesus did testified to who He was. The works Jesus does through us, testifies that Jesus lives in us. The works of Jesus in us is a testament to the religious, who would rather worship a man and doctrine, than listen to and obey The Spirit by faith. Faith is the stumbling block. Faith demands relationship. Relationship brings the power of God through The Holy Spirit.

- 1 Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; 2 By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain.
- **3**For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; **4**And that he was buried, and that **he rose** again the third day according to the scriptures:
- **12**Now if Christ be preached that he rose from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead? **13**But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen: **14**And **if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain,** and your faith *is* also vain.
- **15**Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God; because we have testified of God that he raised up Christ: whom he raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not. **16**For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised: **17**And if Christ be not raised, your faith *is* vain; ye are yet in your sins. **18**Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished. **19**If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.
- 20But now is Christ risen from the dead, *and* become the firstfruits of them that slept. 21For since by man *came* death, by man *came* also the resurrection of the dead. 22For as in Adam all die, even so <u>in</u> Christ shall <u>all be made alive</u>.

## {we are being made alive now} — as we walk with God by faith

**2 Corinthians 4 7**But we have this treasure **in earthen vessels**, that the excellency **of the power** may be of God, and not of us. **8**We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; **9**Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed; **10**Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that **the life also of Jesus** might be made **manifest** in our body.

11For we which live are alway delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh. 12So then death worketh in us, but life in you. 13We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak; 14Knowing that he which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus, and shall present us with you. 15For all things are for your sakes, that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God. 16For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day. 17For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; 18While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.

Our eternal soul, choosing the spirit life
The power of the resurrection. Christ in us, the hope of glory.
The Word comes with power

<u>Jesus raised up disciples</u> — <u>Jesus church, raises up disciples</u> Jesus disciples walked in the power of The Holy Spirit