

**Ephesians 4:28** Let him that stole steal no more: **but rather let him labour, working with his hands** the thing which is good, that he may have to give **to him that needeth**.

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

**1 Timothy 6:18** That they **do** good, that they **be rich in good works, ready to distribute**, willing to communicate;

**John 10:10** The thief cometh not, but for to **steal**, and to kill, and to **destroy**: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have *it* more abundantly.

**Deuteronomy 6** **10**And it shall be, when the LORD thy God shall have brought thee into the land which he swore unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give thee great and goodly cities, which thou buildedst not, **11**And houses full of all good *things*, which thou filledst not, and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not; when thou shalt have eaten and be full; **12**Then **beware lest thou forget the LORD**, which brought thee forth **out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage**. **13**Thou shalt fear the LORD thy God, and **serve him**, and shalt swear by his name. **14****Ye shall not go after other gods, of the \_\_\_\_\_ gods of the people \_\_\_\_\_ which are round about you;** **15**(For the LORD thy God *is* a jealous God among you) lest the anger of the LORD thy God be kindled against thee, and destroy thee from off the face of the earth. **16**Ye shall not tempt the LORD your God, as ye tempted *him* in Massah. **17**Ye shall diligently keep the commandments of the LORD your God, and his testimonies, and his statutes, which he hath commanded thee. **18**And thou shalt **do that which is right and good** in the sight of the LORD: that it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest go in and possess the good land which the LORD swore unto thy fathers, **19**To **cast out all thine enemies from before thee**, as the LORD hath spoken.

**Ephesians 2:2** Wherein in time past ye walked according to the **course of this world, according to** the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that **now** worketh in the children of disobedience:

**John 8:44** You are of your father the devil, and **your will is to do your father's desires**. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies. (ESV)

How do we avoid **doing** what Satan desires us to do. We need to be wise as serpents but harmless as doves(Matthew 10:16). Satan does not tell obvious lies, he uses subtlety, and he **repackages what God means** in His Word, into something else, that sounds like what God means but isn't. He twists the meaning of words and mis-represents them. He uses the world and it's ways **and expectations** to entrap us also, in that we are **expected** to, or even **feel**, the need to **conform**. We must remember **the world walks under the reign** of the prince of the power of the air and **they do not know** it. We cannot afford to keep doing the things they do.

**1 John 5:19** We know that we are children of God and that **the world around us** is under the control of the evil one. (NLT)

So we learn to **come out of the world**, it is crucial to our walk with The Holy Spirit. We cannot see the traps until we obey the things we know to obey. The whole world walks under the

reign of the wicked one. So we need to let go of its ways because the worlds ways are wrought with Satan's subtle deceits, and we will fall under the worlds manipulations, just like the rest, which are very sneaky and very subtle and many times not easily discerned. But The Spirit helps us as we obey to **come out of** the worlds ways. And **also** come out of vain religions ways.

**Romans 8:26** Likewise **the Spirit also helpeth** our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

**Revelation 18:4** And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, **Come out of her**, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.

**Jeremiah 51:6** **Flee out** of the midst of Babylon, and **deliver every man his soul: be not cut off** in her iniquity; for this *is* the time of the LORD'S vengeance; he will render unto her a recompence.

**Hebrews 4** **8**For if Jesus had given them rest, then would he not afterward have spoken of another day. **9**There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God. **10**For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath **ceased from his own works**, as God *did* from his. **11**Let us labour therefore to **enter into that rest**, lest any man fall after the same example of **unbelief**.

**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,

**Isaiah 52:11** **Depart** ye, **depart** ye, **go ye out** from thence, **touch no unclean thing; go ye out of the midst of her**; be ye clean, that bear the vessels of the LORD.

Satan always seeks to turn Gods Love, into **fake** love, and one of these tactics is through **traditions**, where we just follow societies practices like robots, and which generally involve **expense through manipulation -unto bondage**. Manipulation through societies expectations. Satan uses tradition so we **do this-(manipulate)** each other. He dresses these traditions up to look like love, but it takes away people's own spontaneity because it's all set out by tradition, we just follow the rules. We just switch and swap gifts, or favours, so there's no real sacrifice at all. It's a facade that Satan has set up so that we are robbed of the true blessings we could each sow **from** our hearts. It prevents us from learning to give freely and cheerfully, it prevents us learning to listen and hear The Holy Spirit in blessing **those God wants** us to bless, and **those who really need** the blessing. It robs the church of spontaneity and love that is **in** The Truth. So giving should be **as we purpose** in our own hearts **not as has been purposed by worldly tradition** introduced to rob us of this blessing—of giving. Try to see what is really happening within tradition. See what the serpent is trying to steal from you. Be set free. We can be **led** by The Holy Spirit to give, where there will be eternal blessings because that's what The Lord does best :) Tradition robs us of this guidance and potential use of what God has given into our hands. **Whilst** we are being led by tradition, **we are not then being led by** The Lord. God can put in our hearts what is on His heart and where and when to give. If we **do not let tradition block this** blessing.

**2 Corinthians 9:7** Every man according as **he purposeth** in his heart, *so let him give*; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.

Traditions nearly always incur some level of bondage(through its expense) **to those in society in most need**, many times through guilt and shame and the manipulation of our emotions, **especially** in tragedy and times of loss. We are expected to **conform(pressure)** to these "traditions" the world has introduced over time. **Apart from** the burial cost and casket, the expenses behind a funeral for instance, can cause so much hardship for the immediate family that it can even cause families to go into debt, or in poorer countries, end in **physical slavery**—sometimes **for life** and even for **generations**. This is a terrible evil—a satanic trap. The

deceased father or mother or grand parent would certainly not want to see this happen to their loved ones, but so often these *traditions still reign*. This is particularly hurtful/harmful/disastrous, in poorer nations. So often, there is no choice for the bereaved, as they are **expected** to conform to Satan's expected worldly, expensive, costly, traditions. No matter the cost, the bereaved are left with no say because of societal pressure. They are shamed into it. Persecuted if they dare to not conform. This is evil and we should certainly **not participate**, or we may find ourselves participating in sending victims to their enslavement. Then we've sowed some very rotten fruit which we may soon reap ourselves. If we sow to evil, we will reap the corruption. Whole nations can end up with much enslavement because of this sowing and reaping. What an awful situation for the family as they mourn for the loss of their loved one, if then the funeral process all leads to enslavement, because of the debt incurred, which they cannot **ever** afford to pay. So they become the property of the people they are in debt to. This is an awful awful consequence, but unfortunately is reality in many nations. The world/Satan **dictates -through traditions** the entrapment that **must be followed by society**, and this is according to societies **expectations** of what needs to happen. The poorest suffer the most.

**2 Samuel 14:17** Then thine handmaid said, The word of my lord the king shall now be comfortable: for as an angel of God, so *is* my lord the king to **discern good and bad: therefore the LORD thy God will be with thee.**

**Hebrews 5:14** But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, *even those who by reason of use* **have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.**

Great shame will follow if one does not conform. Pressure, shame, guilt and persecution if anyone attempts to come out of traditions of the world. We can discern this as evil. Clearly manipulation. Clearly a foundation of Satan's subtlety. It all adds up to manipulation and if we look closer at it, it comes from the demonic realm—manipulating men. Using men, to manipulate men—ignorantly. We should **learn not to gather with** the father of lies.

**Luke 11:23** He that is not with me is against me: and **he that gathereth not with me** scattereth.

Using a tragedy(a death) to make an even greater tragedy. It is not Gods Love at all, it's fake love and it is actually the opposite of sacrificial love. Gods Word encourages us not to go into debt. So **how can we participate** in bringing upon someone else this evil, whereby they are driven into debt or even slavery?—through **obeying** traditions. I wouldn't want it to happen to myself or my family. As I am sure neither would you. We should love others as ourself.

**Matthew 15:13** But he answered and said unto them, **Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God** *by your tradition?*

**Romans 13:8** **Be indebted to no one**, except to one another in love, for **he who loves his neighbor** has fulfilled the Law.

**James 2:8** If ye **fulfil the royal law** according to the scripture, Thou shalt **love thy neighbour as thyself**, ye do well:

Great **pressure** is put upon the grieving family to meet these requirements as the expense is carried by the grieving family. And because of tradition everyone is **given the excuse** to just go along with it!!! Satan is the prince of the power of the air—remember? The whole world follows him. They do not realise this, but **we should** understand it. They can't, they don't have The Comforter to help them, **but we do**. We learn to exercise our senses to discern good and evil. As Christians we learn. The more people that show up to "sympathise" at the funeral ceremony or wake, **the more expense that is incurred by the grieving family** to feed and supply refreshments. This is the tradition that puts bereaved families into the **devourers** clutches, and then they go into enslavement. How can **we** be **used** to do this to one another?

**Malachi 3:11** And I will rebuke the **devourer** for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts.

We are not under a tithing system now, it passed away because we are now under grace. We have an even higher standard to live up to now, **everything** we have is Gods, but we still have **free will** to **gather** WITH God. We can use what we have, and have been given, to the maximum to bless others. We are under the law of liberty in that we can bless our eternal family in their time of need. Not through tradition but, our liberty, and The Holy Spirit will help us and give us the opportunity to be a blessing to widows and orphans and the poor. So instead of gathering with Satan's traditions, we can be **set free to help those in need as we purpose** ourself, in our own heart. Then we no longer need participate in causing evil to befall others **through being led** by tradition. We are free to help Gods children whenever Gods gives us the chance to **sow** good toward our future—instead of evil through tradition. Then we will begin to reap good instead of evil, because we are sowing good and **IN THE SPIRIT as He guides** us in this. We are **gathering now with** Jesus and changing direction. Things will begin to turn about. Sowing to good, the law of **liberty** and not the law of **traditions works**. Sowing where The Lord shows us, sowing good, reaping good.

**Isaiah 55** **2**Wherefore do ye spend money for *that which is* not bread? and your labour for *that which* satisfieth not? **hearken diligently unto me**, and eat ye *that which is* good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness.

**3****Incline your ear**, and **come unto me: hear**, and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, *even* the sure mercies of David.

It's all about **relationship** with God now, and **listening** and **being led** by Him. **Satan will always seek to bring in traditions and other ways of drawing us away** from this **walking with** God. The tithing system is the easy way out, Jesus lifted the standard whereby we can **sow** abundantly more to our future and reap blessings by **being a blessing** to Jesus. To Jesus body. How awesome is God to give us the opportunity to be eternally blessed by blessing His eternal body here and now on Earth. Don't see it as a bad thing, **but as an opportunity** to invest in your eternal identity—your spirit and soul. Denying self and the pleasures of the flesh for a season.

**Hebrews 11** **25**Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, **than to enjoy the pleasures** of sin for a season; **26****Esteeming the reproach** of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for **he had respect unto the recompence of the reward**.

We have the chance to **reap abundantly through our freedom to give**. We should look for opportunities to invest in our future. Our eternal future, not the temporary earthly one. It proves we see who we really are, sojourners and pilgrims here— we care now about heavenly things. Because that is where we see our entire eternal future. We sacrifice the short time pleasures we have in the flesh, because it has no value in eternity. We use the time we have to invest in our heavenly reward in Jesus. See it as a liberty we have been graciously given. **The ability to sow** and invest in Heaven, whilst our souls are still found living in the flesh.

**1 Peter 12:1** Therefore I urge you, brothers, on account of God's mercy, to **offer your bodies as living sacrifices**, holy and pleasing to God, which is your **spiritual service** of worship.

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

**Colossians 3:2** **Set your affection on things above**, not on things on the earth.

**Matthew 6** **19**Lay not up for yourselves **treasures upon earth**, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where **thieves break through and steal: 20**But **lay up for yourselves treasures in**

heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and **where thieves do not break through nor steal**: **21**For **where** your treasure is, **there will your heart be** also.

{as we **invest our treasure in Jesus kingdom(Jesus family)**, our heart begins to **see** that kingdom and **be part** of that kingdom, more and more} it proves our faith, that we believe we are eternal and going to be with Jesus and God for all eternity. **Our actions testify** to our faith.

**Luke 14:33** So likewise, **whosoever** he be of you that **forsaketh not all that he hath**, he **cannot** be my disciple.

**2 Corinthians 9** **1**For as touching the **ministering to the saints**, it is superfluous for me to write to you: **2**For I know the forwardness of your mind, for which I boast of you to them of Macedonia, that Achaia was ready a year ago; and **your zeal** hath provoked very many. **3**Yet have I sent the brethren, lest our boasting of you should be in vain in this behalf; that, as I said, ye may be ready: **4**Lest haply if they of Macedonia come with me, and find you unprepared, we (that we say not, ye) should be ashamed in this same confident boasting. **5**Therefore I thought it necessary to exhort the brethren, that they would go before unto you, and make up beforehand your bounty, whereof ye had notice before, that the same might be ready, as a *matter of* bounty, and not as of covetousness.

**6**But this I say, **He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly**; and he which soweth bountifully **shall reap also bountifully**. **7**Every man according as **he purposeth in his** heart, so **let him give**; not grudgingly, or **of necessity**: for God loveth a **cheerful** giver. **8**And God *is* able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all *things*, may abound to every good work:

**9**(As it is written, He hath dispersed abroad; **he hath given to the poor**: **his righteousness remaineth** for ever.

{we should not let Satan **steal- by tradition**>giving through manipulation/necessity— it robs us of our voluntary reward in the worship of demonic traditions, introduced over many, many years}

**{it takes away our freewill offerings}**

**{it takes away our voluntary humility}**

**Colossians 2** **16**Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath *days*: **17**Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body *is* of Christ. **18**Let no man **beguile you of your reward in a voluntary humility and worshipping of angels**, intruding into those things which he hath not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind,

**Malachi 3** **8**Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. **9**Ye *are* cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, *even* this whole nation. **10**Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that *there shall not be room enough to receive it*. **11**And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts. **12**And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the LORD of hosts.

**Luke 21:4** **1**And he looked up, and saw the rich men casting their gifts into the treasury. **2**And he saw also a certain poor widow casting in thither two mites. **3**And he said, **Of a truth I say** unto you, that **this poor widow hath cast in more** than they all: **4**For all these **have of their abundance** cast in unto the offerings of God: but she of her penury hath cast in **all the living that she had**.

{God has no favourites, He does not respect the rich any more than the poor}

{**don't be brought under the law**, we have **complete liberty to sow as bountifully as we choose to**}

{we are able to each **choose** to invest as much as we desire to, into heavenly places}

{how do we do that? We invest in eternal things—Jesus body/family. Be **led** by The Spirit} {tradition will rob us of wise investing and it is **not being led** by The Spirit}—tithing will **limit** us.

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

Tradition prevents us **walking in** The Spirit.

**Galatians 5:16** *This* I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

When we are **led** by **tradition** or tithing instead of The Spirit—we are robbed of blessings—it is works of the flesh or law, and the carnal mind, and not of faith.

**Colossians 3:17** And whatsoever ye do in word **or deed**, *do* all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

The expense of tradition can be crippling **in poor nations**, but the tradition can be so strong there is no way out. People show up to “sympathise” at the funeral ceremony, and you the family are expected to pay—that’s it. Instead of Gods love being shown to the grieving family, in that everyone supports that family in this time -by bringing something, Satan has twisted love upside down, and everyone becomes instead a burden, to the grieving family. To pay for the whole expense of the wake or grieving process, or ceremony, as anyone that shows up will add extra expense. This is **used by** Satan to **steal** from and also **destroy** whole families in poor nations. They go into debt because of it, and then **enslavement can follow** of which they may never come out from—for generations even. Everyone’s “sympathy” can cost people their life’s freedom. We should be wise to evil spirits’ devises. Instead of loading all the expense on the grieving family, those showing their **genuine** support and sympathy or **genuine Godly love**, could easily bring something themselves in order **to bless** and **not burden**. It’s a little **twist** that Satan has **sneakily** brought in, that can easily be undone as a body, or community, and put right. Remember Satan always perverts Godly love. We should look for it in **every tradition**. So we can help or contribute when necessary, instead of burdening. We can still celebrate things we choose, but it needn’t involve money and expense every time, **especially where** there is financial hardship. We can break off tradition, to **walk in** The Spirit, doing good. We no longer need to agree with Satan’s traditions, nor conform to them. We can **choose** to change his rules and be a blessing and not a burden. We can be free, completely, as we choose to be free. To whom you **obey** is to whom you are servant. We can **obey** God’s love which is **sacrificial** and not self serving or driven through being manipulated.

**Genesis 4:7** If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee *shall be* his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.

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

**Ephesians 4:28** Let him that **stole** steal **no more**; but rather let him labour, working with *his* hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth.

**Romans 12:13** **Distributing to the necessity** of saints; given to hospitality.

**Titus 3:14** And let our people also learn to **maintain good works for necessary uses**, that they be **not unfruitful**.

**Acts 20:35** I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to **support** the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, **It is more blessed to give** than to receive.

**Galatians 6:10** **As we have therefore opportunity**, let us do good unto all *men*, **especially** unto them who are of the household of faith.

**Sowing** and reaping, we have a chance to reap blessings, by **sowing blessings** and not burdens. Gods Love is to **sacrifice** self, to **support** the family in need, rather than put any financial pressure on them in their time of grief. The awful compulsive nature of tradition. Robbing us of our freewill offerings. Vain tradition and Satan's fake sympathy will have a nice pretend love that leaves the grieving family **grieving even more** in debt. It can cause great harm in certain situations. Vain fake love and worship of traditions, and religious fake love, will load the grieving family with such expense, and in many countries there is no option but to comply, and this is Satan's devise to **enslave christians through worldly traditions**. If a family resists Satan's traditions, every worldly person (**including worldly christians**) around them will put **great shame** and guilt upon them. This is certainly not love, it is Satan's manipulation. This is one of the ways that Satan uses tradition to entrap and ensnare many Christians who are often struggling to even survive from day to day. Remembering in many countries christians are persecuted, and put down to **the lowest social level of society** where **they struggle already to even have enough, for food and living** expense. Then in comes a death or sickness and the expense can be **disastrous**. And society doesn't seem to care, because it doesn't realise the satanic nature of these traditions nor consider the damage done in following them. Gods Love would say that we each help the grieving family in whatever way we can, and instead of gathering at their expense we would show **genuine** sympathy, and compassion, and kindness, and love, by supplying the needs of the situation and genuinely helping them, as a body. Being genuine. We should **not let Satan dictate our behaviour** any longer. He is not our lord.

**2 Corinthians 2:11** Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for **we are not ignorant of his devices**.

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

The purpose behind traditions usually **looks** good on the surface, but the **actual purpose of Satan through traditions**, is to bring bondage. He twists and turns God love into bondage and it is **very subtle and sounds so good and innocent**. He even uses the right words like "**sympathy**" and "love" but they come **with manipulation and control -through guilt, shame**, and hooks and chains. "You need to show your sympathy" he charms. You need to show your "**sympathy**" and **put the expense of your "sympathy"** on the grieving widow who will become enslaved as a result of the expense incurred by **your participating** in that very same sympathy. Perhaps this widows daughters will be enslaved as well, because of the debt, but you need to go and show you "**sympathy**", "you need to go" the demonic voice whispers in his best fake love voice. And thus the family of the deceased is destroyed in the expense. The last thing that a deceased husband would have wanted to happen to his wife and daughters and sons, after he had departed from this earth. **The traditions of Satan can be very cruel and vicious**. Fake love at its cruelest and in such an insulting way —through the persons own friends and relatives. Through his traditions, we **come to expect each other to comply** to these traditions and so we actually do this evil **against each other**. Unknowingly until The Lord shows us. Also, the world will hate us if we do not comply to these traditions. So be ready.

**John 15:18** If the world hate you, ye know that **it hated me before it hated you**.

**1 John 3:13** Marvel not, my brethren, **if the world hate you**.

So respecting man's opinions and **seeking man's approval**, or the worlds approval, can be a disastrous trap and snare. The world can easily ensnare us if we seek the approval of the world, or the society we live in. **We should seek to turn the fake, into the genuine, at every occasion**. **Genuine** Godly love. Many traditions cause **self seeking** or just a kind of swapping of gifts and favours at best, instead of the good of others. Gods Love is sacrificial. Look at Jesus for the example. We should learn to be **genuine** and not fake. Doing good from the heart and not robotically obeying traditions fake swap love. We can study every tradition and re-evaluate what we are doing and contributing within it. It's more blessed to give remember. It doesn't say we are more blessed in swapping giving to each other. That's what tradition does. It robs us of the chance to genuinely give from the heart in many situations. It's all organised for

us instead, and we just do what we are **supposed** to do. Traditions also often force us into unwanted or unaffordable expense. We can learn to celebrate things in a different way. We can **choose for ourselves**. We can be genuine and we can walk in The Spirit of love, and come out of the spirit of bondage.

**1 Corinthians 13:5** Doth not behave itself unseemly, **seeketh not her own**, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil;

**1 Corinthians 10:4** **Let no man seek his own, but every man another's wealth.**

**Philippians 2:21** **For all seek their own**, not the things which are Jesus Christ's.

**1 Corinthians 10:33** Even as I please all *men* in all *things*, **not seeking mine own profit**, but **the profit of many**, that they may be saved.

We can **provide help** and support instead of bringing expense and pain. We should look at every tradition and **re-arrange it into** Gods **genuine** love and mercy. Or let it go altogether. **So we can't be used** by the charms and entrapping expensive tricks, of the serpent.

**Matthew 12:30** He that is not with me is against me; and **he that gathereth not with me** scattereth abroad.

**Luke 11:23** He that is not with me is against me: and **he that gathereth not with me scattereth.**

**2 Corinthians 11:14** And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.

**Doing something nice is good, but** Satan **twists** what is good into fakery(through awful traditions that bring bondage) and into hidden, **evil purpose**. Remember he comes as an angel of light, or messenger of light, but he is always seeking to bring bondage through **our obedience** to his tricks. We cannot afford to gather with Satan. God gave us free will, why give our free will over to tradition? Why **expect one another to obey** and keep traditions? That serpent comes to **steal**, kill and destroy us and also our families. To steal what we could otherwise use for blessing in the **leading** of The Holy Spirit.

**2 Corinthians 11** **12**But what I do, that I will do, that I may cut off occasion from them which desire occasion; that wherein they glory, they may be found even as we. **13**For such *are* false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. **14**And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. **15**Therefore *it is* no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.

**Matthew 24:24** For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, **if it were possible, they shall deceive** the very elect.

Watch out!!!!!! **Watch out** also for vain, fake religion and it's awful traditions and bondages as well, and it's ministers of Satan's ways. Satan doesn't care for the flock. Satan is a thief. He is an expert con man and thief. Watch out!!!!!! He has great intelligence in every evil way and has had 6000 years to practise his lies and deceptions. He knows how to trap the unwary because we may treasure man's opinion, above Gods. Worrying about what man wants and his **worldly** traditions, **and** his religious teachings is a great trap. Let us not become a thief of others through the fake love of Satan and tradition. But let us do good in each situation instead. **We can still celebrate** things in Godly fashion. Keeping this rule in heart will help us **to discern the difference**— **"it is more blessed to give than to receive"**. Let us use each occasion to **walk in** The Spirit of genuine love, and so turn the bondages of Satan's traditions into acts of genuine Godly love and kindness. Making sure no-one is being destroyed, or manipulated.



**1 Peter 4:14** If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye; for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you: on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is glorified.

**1 Peter 4** 15But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or as a thief, or as an evildoer, or as a busybody in other men's matters. 16Yet if *any man suffer* as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf. 17For the time *is come* that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if *it first begin* at us, what shall the end *be* of them that obey not the gospel of God?

**John 17:16** They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

Satan has even caused many of Gods children(believers) to be deceived. He calls good evil, and evil good, and the world doesn't recognise the difference either. There is so much awful fake and vain religion out there that supports these things. We are called out, to be seperate. We should be very vigilant and not ignorant of these devises that can be used to cause us to follow man. It is no longer good when we are being "manipulated" by Satan to conform to his traditions. That's then bondage, being led but by what?—that's how traditions so often entrap. Good things should come from our heart, not because we feel forced to meet requirements of some tradition. Swapping gifts with one-another. Expecting compliance from one another? Is this Gods Love? Meeting the expensive requirements of tradition that leads to hardship for many, who may be struggling to even survive—-is this wise, or love? We can still do good can't we? Do we need to be bound up and feel forced to do it, as if we are under Satan's laws? Bound up to obey tradition??? Not free for The Spirit to lead us??? Are we under law or grace? No we can still do good whenever we choose in our own hearts. Yes we are set free. This is especially a blessing for those who can hardly survive from day to day. From the heart, yes we can still do what is right and good. We can be led by God. Whenever we choose. Then it is completely free of manipulation and control. Then we please The True God, instead of the fake evil pretend one. Because without faith it is impossible to please God. We can actually choose to help the poor, instead of enslaving them through meeting the requirements of traditions—because tradition manipulates the poor into spending what they may not have, nor be able to afford. Tradition is a swap, it is more blessed to give than to receive.

**Isaiah 58** 10And *if* thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness *be* as the noonday:

11And the LORD shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not.

12And they that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places: thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, The repairer of the breach, The restorer of paths to dwell in.

Satan must be laughing. He uses what may be used for good, our finances, steals it, or rather causes it to be spent unwisely, but also twists and turns it into bondage, especially to the most vulnerable. It looks good, but it's the opposite. Yes a common way he does this, is through tradition. He uses the weakness of our fallen nature. The beast nature, or the old man, or the part of us called the flesh, or our natural selfishness. He doesn't want us to put on the new man which is created after Christ Jesus. He wants to have us to use the same old fallen corrupt way of thinking mankind and the world always has. The carnal mind is at enmity with God. Tradition puts on a facade of love that caters to selfishness, it fools us into a swap of resources. A facade. So we can pretend and convince ourselves that we are doing good. Remember—-we can do good whenever we choose to ourself. Why be compelled to do "good" (really just a swap) by tradition!!! The Devil, that serpent, wants us trapped in all the old tricks and traps and he uses our need to be accepted by others to entrap us and enslave us—-serving him or serving his purpose. That's the danger of needing the approval of the world. Social pressure.

**Deuteronomy 28:38** Thou shalt carry much seed out into the field, and shalt gather *but* little in; for the locust shall consume it.

**Haggai 1** 5Now therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways. 6Ye have sown much, and **bring in little**; ye eat, but ye have not enough; ye drink, but ye are not filled with drink; ye clothe you, but there is none warm; and **he that earneth wages** earneth wages *to put it into a bag with holes*.

7Thus saith the LORD of hosts; **Consider your ways**. 8Go up to the mountain, and bring wood, and **build the house**; and I will take pleasure in it, and I will be glorified, saith the LORD.

{we should look *to build Gods house* up, {Gods temple}, The Body Of Jesus Christ, One-another}  
**{Gods house}**

9Ye looked for much, and, lo, *it came* to little; and when ye brought *it* home, I did blow upon it. Why? saith the LORD of hosts. Because of **mine house that is waste**, and ye run every man unto **his own** house. 10Therefore the heaven over you is stayed from dew, and the earth is stayed from her fruit. 11And I called for a drought upon the land, and upon the mountains, and upon the corn, and upon the new wine, and upon the oil, and upon *that* which the ground bringeth forth, and upon men, and upon cattle, and upon all the labour of the hands.

Financial sabotage. According to Satans intentions, we are all meant to **force or expect** one-another to conform to his tricks, and when we do, we end up **manipulating each other and causing harm** and unnecessary and unwanted financial hardship. It is not a new thing, Satan has been doing it for thousands of years and it is called tradition. The commandment Jesus gave us was to love one another. Love is of free will and from the heart. Tradition robs us of this. We should cling to **Gods kind** of love, and **avoid fake switch and swap love** and it's bondages. Satan telling us when and where and how to spend our resources. Remember, we can still do good. But we should remove the **expectation** and set each other free. Especially the poor. We are free to do good **from the heart** whenever we choose. Especially to those in need.

**James 1:27** **Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this**, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, *and* to **keep himself unspotted from the world**.

**Matthew 15:3** But he answered and said unto them, **Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition?**

{So do we want traditions or truth? **Free?** to be **led** by God, **or bound to follow the rules** of society. If we want Gods blessings, we can receive them by **choosing** to do good to those in need, **from the heart**, instead of being **manipulated** by Satan's traditions. We can help those in most need}. **When we sow**, let it not be to a **bag with holes!** **Be led by God, and reap as well.**

We can all bring Gods blessings into our lives—**by being** a blessing to others. This is sowing and reaping, and the **law of liberty** in Christ. We **needn't let tradition steal our freewill** offerings any longer. Tradition **mis-directs** what **God wants** to use for **His** purpose. We've been deceived and robbed.

**Isaiah 58** 5Is it such a fast that I have chosen? a day for a man to afflict his soul? *is it* to bow down his head as a bulrush, and to spread sackcloth and ashes *under him*? wilt thou call this a fast, and an acceptable day to the LORD?

6Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to **loose the bands** of wickedness, **to undo** the heavy **burdens**, and to **let the oppressed** go free, and that ye break **every yoke?**

7Is it not to deal thy bread to **the hungry**, and that thou **bring the poor that are cast out** to thy house? when thou seest the naked, that thou cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh?

8Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and **thine** health shall spring forth speedily: and **thy** righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the LORD shall be **thy** reward.

9Then shalt thou call, and the LORD shall answer; **thou** shalt cry, and he shall say, Here I *am*. If thou take away from the midst of thee the yoke, the putting forth of the finger, and speaking vanity;

10And *if* thou **draw out thy soul to the hungry**, and **satisfy the afflicted** soul; **then** shall **thy** light rise in obscurity, and **thy** darkness *be* as the noonday:

11And the LORD shall guide **thee** continually, and satisfy **thy** soul in drought, and make fat **thy** bones: and **thou** shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, **whose waters fail not.**

Do we wonder why we don't seem to be blessed? Tradition steals the **freewill** offering, and so also the blessing. The **potential we have** to bless the body of Christ is **mis-directed**. Satan uses tradition to remove the spontaneity of the true expression of Godly love, whilst enslaving us to meet the requirements imposed on each of us through switch and swap tradition. **Receiving through** our giving. It's like a magic trick that Satan uses to devour our resources.

**Malachi 3:11** And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the **fruits of your ground**; neither shall **your vine cast her fruit before the time** in the field, saith the LORD of hosts.

So the Devil perverts Godly love into "**expected** works" of "love". Satan causes us to do this to each other, and many times the expense involved in traditions can lead to hardship, debt, or it even ends up in **physical** and **lifelong** inescapable enslavement in less fortunate nations. It can lead to **enslavement to bank debt**, and interest, in wealthier nations. So these traditions can easily cause very heavy yokes, and are many times **fake love in disguise** as Love. We must remember that love comes from the heart and is **never** through manipulation. We should discern the difference. Traditions can so easily end up manipulating us, and we expect one-another to comply. So in fact we should be careful in this that we are not destroying one-another just to **obey** traditions. **I'd rather obey God and be blessed** in so doing. Being part of a tradition that brings some families into bondage of unaffordable expense to them, cannot be good-or love. Many traditions can be very expensive. Surely genuine love and common sense, should rule over tradition? Remember, we can still do good apart from tradition. If keeping traditions causes financial hardship, debt and even enslavement, then we should perceive it is not of Jesus love, but a fake kind of manipulative devise. Enforced socially. Even joined in by us, expecting each other to conform, **in this evil** devise. So in fact Satan has deceived many into this fake form of socially expected love. If I give to you, you give to me. I keep saying it in the hope that **many** can be set free to walk in Gods Love and so receive God's blessings through it. First we must win the battle over the carnal mind—to overcome tradition and **also** the spirits behind it—who **will be** very angry—**watch for it!!!** They will **manifest** in yourself and also **watch for it** in the people—**watch for** anger and offence. **It reveals** their presence. They will try stopping us from being set free of them—through the angry people. Resist the anger, resist any offence, resist the devil and he will flee. Don't resort to contention either—its a trap.

**Romans 2** 6Who will render to every man according to **his deeds**: 7To them who by patient continuance in **well doing** seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal life: 8**But unto them that are contentious, and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness**, indignation and wrath, 9Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Gentile; 10But glory, honour, and peace, **to every man that worketh good**, to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile: 11For **there is no respect of persons** with God.

**If we enter** into arguments and contention, we enter into the devils' lair. If others wish to be angry and offended then we should definitely **hold our peace**. Don't argue! The peace keeps us safe because in it, we are **abiding** in Jesus. Safe :) It is not our task to manipulate or force anyone else's will. They can choose if they love tradition—God allows us to choose.

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

**We give the truth and then we rest** in God. We all have the opportunity to **decide** for ourselves **who** to obey. The light or truth, will cause anger because the evil spirits' task is to keep us in bondage to deceit. The Light **brings them to the surface** and they are made **manifest** to us. **We can now see them** through the anger and offence **that is raised up in people**. But we

need to **discern** this. So we know **and can see** **what is happening** right before our eyes. We can understand. Then we can pray for them. **Not argue!!!** with them, but pray for them.

**Ephesians 5** **6**Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. **7**Be not ye therefore partakers with them. **8**For ye were sometimes darkness, but **now are ye light in the Lord; walk as** children of light: **9**(For **the fruit** of the Spirit *is* in all **goodness** and righteousness and **truth**;) **10**Proving **what is acceptable** unto the Lord. **11**And **have no fellowship with the unfruitful works** of darkness, but rather **reprove them**. **12**For it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret. **13**But all things that are reprov'd are made manifest by the light: for **whatsoever doth make** **manifest** **is light**.

What are the commandments of God? Jesus said the first was to love God with all the heart, mind, soul and strength and the second, to love our neighbour as ourself. The law is fulfilled in the keeping of these two. So Love is the simplicity of our walk with God. Tradition **mis-directs** us to conform to society. Conforming to the world.

**John 15** **19**If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but **I have chosen you out of the world**, therefore the world hateth you. **20**Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. **If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you;** if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also. **21**But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, **because they know not him that sent me**.

We should make a distinction between the free will genuine kind of love, and the **manipulated to conform** kind. Tradition is very **manipulative** and it has no pity for the financial circumstances of its victims. Some can afford it, but some can't. It can cause awful consequences in people's lives. We should ask ourselves, is it really love? Is the expense necessary or put to Gods purpose??? Who taught us this, Jesus? Or Satan?

**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.

**Matthew 15** **3**Jesus replied, "And **why do you break the command of God for the sake of your tradition?** **4**For God said, 'Honor your father and mother' **a** and 'Anyone who curses their father or mother is to be put to death.' **b** **5**But you say that if anyone declares that what **might have been used to help** their father or mother is 'devoted to God,' **6**they are not to 'honor their father or mother' with it. Thus **you nullify the word of God for the sake of your tradition**. **7**You **hypocrites!** Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you:

**8** "These people honor me **with their lips**, but their **hearts are far from me**.

**9**They worship me **in vain**; **their teachings are merely human rules.** ' **c** " (NIV)

**Psalms 54:6** I will **freely** sacrifice **unto thee**: I will praise thy name, O LORD; for *it is* good.

**Romans 13:8** **8**Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he **that loveth** another hath **fulfilled the law**.

**Matthew 10:16** Behold, I send you forth as sheep **in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise** as serpents, and harmless as doves.

**Mark 12** **28**And one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, and perceiving that he had answered them well, asked him, Which is the first commandment of all? **29**And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments *is*, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord: **30**And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul,

and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this *is* the first commandment. **31**And the second *is* like, *namely* this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is **none other** commandment **greater** than these.

**Mark 7** **9**And he said unto them, Full well ye reject the commandment of God, **that ye may keep your own tradition.** **10**For Moses said, Honour thy father and thy mother; and, Whoso curseth father or mother, let him die the death: **11**But ye say, If a man shall say to his father or mother, *It is* Corban, that is to say, a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me; *he shall be free.* **12**And ye suffer him no more to do ought for his father or his mother; **13****Making the word of God of none effect** through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and **many such like things** do ye.

Surely if we are expected(by each other) to conform, we are then **trapped and manipulated** into doing things we otherwise might not, or perhaps cannot even properly afford. Surely it robs us of the ability to do good things **voluntarily**, and through free will? Maybe we cannot afford such traditions, but the peer group **pressure** is too much to resist. It is always presented in the guise of being a “good” thing, but manipulation is never a good thing. It is as witchcraft or rebellion. We must realise that **Satan uses worldly traditions** to cause us to manipulate each other, and this can **bring us into bondage.** If a tradition can cause some to fall into slavery(**financial/debt or physical slavery – into becoming someone else’s property**) then it must be recognised for what it is. Evil, and of the Devil. Traditions can be very expensive. Satan comes to **steal**, to destroy, and to kill. If we sow to the flesh we reap corruption. We should wake up from sleeping and sow to The Spirit.

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

**Ephesians 5:14** Wherefore he saith, **Awake** thou that sleepest, and **arise from the dead**, and Christ shall **give thee light.**

**Isaiah 61** **1**The Spirit of the Lord GOD *is* upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, **to proclaim liberty to the captives**, and the **opening of the prison** to *them that are bound*;  
**2**To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; **to comfort** all that mourn;  
**3**To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, **the planting of the LORD**, that he might be glorified.  
**4**And **they** shall **build** the old wastes, **they** shall **raise** up the **former desolations**, and **they** shall **repair** the waste cities, **the desolations of many** generations.

So keeping yearly traditions and celebrations can be very dangerous because often times these are simply Satan’s tool to have us burden one another. Chiefly through the expense of keeping up with them all. **Mis-directing what God has given us** to bless The Body of Christ. Through the manipulation of the expectation to conform **and participate.** It is one of the ways that Satan steals from us, as a body. We should be each **free** from these expectations, so that we can use what we have wisely, and not be forcing one another to conform to vanity. Swapping gifts. Remember Love is **giving** to others, not expecting from others. So **giving should be choice of will, with no expectation of being paid back in any way.** That is Gods Love.

**Matthew 6:3** But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth:

**Matthew 6:4** so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father **who sees in secret** will reward you. (ESV)

See how Satan robs us blind and steals?????? If we wish to swap gifts we can, but *at least we should be aware, that's all we are doing!—swapping—publicly.* Love is a free will offering, and has **no expectation of repayment.** No expectation of even being acknowledged! Let not your left hand know what your right hand is doing— that God can reward us for what we've done in secret and **not for reputation.** That's how God Love works. Tradition can so easily become robbery and a bondage, and that's how the Serpent sneaks in his destruction into our lives. We sow to the wind and a bag of holes through his traditions.

**Hosea 8:7** For they have sown the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind: it hath no stalk: the bud shall yield no meal: if so be it yield, the strangers shall swallow it up.

That's how he can **steal** from us all. Meeting his requirements of tradition. As a corporate body, we can set one another free. We can be wise to the loss, and wise to the bondage of it.

**Galatians 4** **8**Howbeit then, **when ye knew not God, ye did service unto them which by nature are no gods.** **9**But now, after that ye have known God, or rather are known of God, how turn ye again to the weak and beggarly elements, whereunto ye desire again to be in bondage?

**10**Ye observe days, and months, and times, and years. **11**I am afraid of you, lest I have bestowed upon you labour **in vain.**

Through tradition, **our love toward one another** becomes **works**—-pleasing tradition, rather than from our heart. So much more meaningless and less appreciated, than if we do things naturally **by choice**, and when we are able to afford such things. Satan perverts love and steals our genuine ability to love freely. He steals any surprise and spontaneity. Instead of something being a gift from the heart, it becomes an expectation and requirement. He has stolen our ability to express our love **freely.** It is blessed to give. **Remove** the receive from it.

**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.

**Romans 14** **5**One man esteemeth one day above another: **another esteemeth every day alike.** Let every man be fully persuaded **in his own mind.** **6**He that regardeth the day, regardeth *it unto the Lord*; and he that regardeth not the day, **to the Lord he doth not regard it.** He that eateth, eateth to the Lord, for he giveth God thanks; and he that eateth not, to the Lord he eateth not, and giveth God thanks.

{we are not under bondage to tradition}

**Mark 7** **9**And he said unto them, Full well ye reject the commandment of God, **that ye may keep your own tradition.**

**Romans 14** **7**For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself. **8**For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's. **9**For to this end Christ both died, and rose, and revived, that he might be Lord both of the dead and living. **10**But **why dost thou judge thy brother?** or **why dost thou set at nought** thy brother? for we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ.

We need to look after our minds, and safeguard our minds. We need to be wise to Satan's past sneaky ways that he used to steal and destroy from our forefathers. He changes the meanings of words and of course the main word he wants to pervert is The Word—-Love. We see Jesus though, and so we should know what True Love is. Jesus sacrificed himself for others. He didn't use others for advantage to himself. So often we obey tradition because we are **too afraid of offending** one-another by not being part of it. Look at Jesus he's the example.

**2 Peter 3** **14**Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless. **15**And account *that* the longsuffering of our Lord *is* salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto

him hath written unto you; **16**As also in all *his* epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are **some things hard to be understood**, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as *they do* also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction. **17**Ye therefore, **beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked**, fall from your own stedfastness. **18**But **grow in grace**, and *in* the **knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory** both now and for ever. Amen.

**John 8:44** Ye are of *your* father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for **he is a liar, and the father of it.**

Satan's lies are unbounded and many times rather obvious once we open our eyes. The tradition of Christmas for example. God didn't leave us a date for Jesus birth, because of course He knew we would end up worshiping that instead of Him. That doesn't stop Satan though. He makes up a date, under the guise of Jesus birthday, then repackages the whole thing **to be a worship service to Satan** himself—and it's **barely disguised** at all. Much of the world and including christians, worship Satan under the guise of Santa/Satan and his elves and reindeer.

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

It is so **awful to watch families and friends bringing each other into bondage**. Why yield ourselves to Satan's lies and luring **manipulative** trickery? Why do we allow ourselves to do this to each other. Christmas tradition is a prime example of vain worship to Satan and his angels/demons.

**Colossians 2:18** **Let no man beguile you of your reward in a voluntary humility and worshipping of angels**, intruding into those things which he hath not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind,

Rudolf whose name means "wolf" is the leader of the reindeer pack. Santa **apparently** lives at the North Pole. And he wishes to exalt himself **in** the congregation of God under the fakery of Christmas. We are the temple of Jesus Christ. **Satan sits in** Gods temple(us), exalting himself. What Spirit are we filled with? Is it The Holy Spirit or **another** spirit? The "**spirit**" of Christmas?????? One of the ways, there are many, but one of the ways **he sneaks into Gods temple(us)** is in disguise, as Santa. And **there he exalts himself** as spoken in **Isaiah 14:13**. We are of the seed promised to Abraham, as the **stars** of heaven.

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

**Genesis 15:5** And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell **the stars**, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, **So shall thy seed** be.

**Galatians 3:29** And if ye *be* Christ's, then **are ye** Abraham's seed, and **heirs** according to the promise.

**2 Thessalonians 2:4** Who opposeth and **exalteth himself** above all that is called God, or that is **worshipped**; so that he as God **sitteth in the temple** of God, **shewing himself that he is** God.

**1 Corinthians 3:16** **Know ye not that ye** are the temple of God, and *that* the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?

**Isaiah 14** 13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will **exalt my throne above the stars** of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the **congregation, in the sides of the north**:

So Satan's kingdom sits **in** the **congregation** (in us), exalting himself in the **temple of God** which **we each are**. Showing himself **as** God, but **in disguise** as Santa, who "apparently" lives in the **North Pole**. He exalts himself above the **stars of God**. God promised Abraham his seed would be **as the stars**. Santa's "little helpers", the **elves** (working in **selves**), (the demons), have made their way happily into the **house** of God, through the Christmas worship service, and also into our family homes. Remember we are meant to have died to **selves** so we should cast out the **elves**!!! We actually, unbelievably, **invite** Santa/Satan into our homes with an offering of milk and cookies—a perverse kind of communion offering to The Devil. **He doesn't come in through the door**/Jesus, he comes down the chimney/**another way**. This is a worship service to Satan and to Satan's pagan **tradition**. It is just one of **many traditions** that need to be thought very seriously about—including the expense of this sacrifice to The Devil. Offering and sacrificing to **other gods**. According to Santa Claus —Santa's "clause," —we need **to be good** to **deserve or earn** a gift/grace/salvation. Santa wants us to work for salvation to make **grace null and void and of no effect**. He wants to pervert our children's minds as early as possible to conform to his **clause**, and to teach them (subconsciously) that God wants them to **earn** His grace. By works, by being good. Subtle indoctrination and mind control, and the world loves it. An **apparent** celebration of Jesus birthday??? The prince of the power of the air at work! Once again there can be much expense tied up with this worship and ritual of what is **known** as Christmas.

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

**Romans 9:11** (For *the children* being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, **not of works**, but of him that calleth;)

Jesus **gives** us the **gift** of grace and it cannot be earned, but according to Satan, **if** we've been good (by works) then we've **earned** our grace, we **deserve** a gift from Santa. Satan gladly walks in through the open door (chimney) that is offered up to him in our worship of his tradition. But in truth, Jesus freely gives grace regardless of us deserving it—it's a gift. Simply received by faith, no strings attached. Except that we **accept** Jesus as Lord!!!— and then **we learn how to make sure Satan is not lord**. We have to **earn** Santa's fake love by being good. Jesus freely loves us. So the **gift** of grace is absolutely reversed by this perverted tradition. Also parents are encouraged to lie to their children, causing later mistrust, to please this tradition. Santa—who of course is Satan in a cheap disguise, has stolen the grace of Jesus Christ. And he even has Christians agreeing with him in this. To whom we **yield** ourselves to obey (Rom 6:16), is to whom **we are brought into bondage**, & so it is, to this **expensive ritual** and traditional pagan **worship of** Satan. The Devil has absolutely turned the gospel upside down and **made the love of God of no effect**. A celebration to Satan himself. God deliberately did not leave us a date for Jesus birthday. God wants us to worship Jesus Christ Himself, who is **risen** and is **alive**.

**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.

**1 Peter 2:5** ye also, **as living stones**, are built up a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, **acceptable** to God through Jesus Christ.

Christmas is **justified** across the world, even unwittingly by Christians, because the children love it. "We don't want to upset the children", but would it not be good to teach them The Truth, and not conform them to this world? Jesus Christ our saviour is hardly even mentioned any more at all, in this fake date, **made up as** His "apparent" birthday. But Satan is celebrated to the max. **Exalting himself in us** as we obey him. **Sitting in the temple** of God, **exalting himself** as God. Do we not know that we are the temple of God? Families are brought into financial hardship to please the tradition. Have you been naughty or nice? The grace of



Jesus Christ is stolen because our children learn Santa's claus, or doctrine, that if they are not good they don't deserve a gift and deserve **no grace** from Santa. Under threat they get gifts from Santa if they have been good. They learn they must work to earn grace. Opposite of Jesus. Not to mention the worship of Mary that some religions entertain. Satan comes not but to kill, steal, and destroy. Christmas is just **one** of the traditions he uses. Just one of the traditions.

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

**2 Corinthians 11:20** In fact, you even put up with anyone who enslaves you or **exploits you** or **takes advantage of you** or **puts on airs** or slaps you in the face. (NIV)

**2 Corinthians 11:20** For ye suffer, if a man **bring you into bondage**, if a man **devour you**, if a man **take of you**, if a man exalt himself, if a man smite you on the face.

**Isaiah 14** **12**How art thou **fallen from heaven, O Lucifer**, son of the morning! *how* art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

**13**For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above **the stars** of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the **congregation**, in the sides of **the north**:

**14**I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; **I will be like** the most High.

**15****Yet thou shalt be brought down** to hell, to the sides of the pit.

**Satan wants to pervert our understanding** of love. **He uses words** like **sympathy** and **tolerance** and then intertwines them to appeal to the selfish side of our being. The carnal nature. He mixes these words in with tradition, but then perverts anything genuine. It becomes works because we just end up doing things to conform to the tradition. Remember we can still give a gift or celebrate things **in thanksgiving** and praise to God. We can praise God. We can still do good. But we don't need to be told **when** and **how** by the worlds traditions. We must remember genuine love is a sacrifice of self. Sympathy and concern for others can be a good thing of course, but can easily be meaningless, if not **put together with genuine** love. It is very **important to understand the difference** or we will find ourselves serving Satan and not knowing it. Satan seeks to steal and destroy and the way he does it is so often through each other. Using us to manipulate each other. Because we worry about what others think of us. We should be aware and not make ourselves available to him, for him to use us to destroy others, either unknowingly(or knowingly). We need to understand the way Satan deceives. Fake love is an awful deceit. We do not want to sow to evil.

**Job 32:21** Let me not, I pray you, accept any man's person, neither let me give flattering titles unto man.

**1 Peter 1:17** Since you call on a Father who judges each one's work impartially, conduct yourselves in reverent fear during your stay as foreigners.

**James 2:16** And one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye **give them not those things** which are **needful** to the body; what *doth it* profit?

Sympathy on its own can become a great deceit. Satan will call sympathy love. But on its own it may be really nothing but empty words. **In tradition**, sympathy can even be used to justify stealing from others. Showing up to show "sympathy" at events that incur expense to others can be destructive. I am referring particularly to struggling situations whereby people gather to show condolence or sympathy at someone else's expense. In some countries it may have no great effect. But in some it certainly does. I have seen where whole families have been sent into slavery **because of the debt incurred**—and these families are then owned by someone else as a result. Enslaved. Satan uses tradition to impose this bondage upon his victims. **We must be mindful he needs us to participate** for it to work. If we cause hardship to others, then we may reap the same. Gradually a whole nation can be sowing bondage and then reaping bondage **through following** traditions rules. Sowing and reaping, all destroying one another, following

traditions rules. I suggest we each search every tradition and make sure no-one is being taken advantage of, or harmed by it. The expense alone can be destructive and also unnecessary. We should think about each tradition and not be manipulated by them. Remember we have choice, we needn't be manipulated or have anything controlling our actions.

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

**Galatians 4** 8Howbeit then, when ye knew not God, **ye did service unto them** which by nature **are no gods**. 9But now, after that ye have known God, or rather are known of God, how turn ye again to the weak and beggarly elements, whereunto ye desire **again** to be in **bondage**? 10**Ye observe days, and months, and times, and years**. 11I am afraid of you, lest I have bestowed upon you labour **in vain**.

**Galatians 4:3** Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage **under** the elements of the world:

**Romans 14:5** One man esteemeth one day above another: another esteemeth every day *alike*. Let every man be fully persuaded **in his own** mind.

**Deuteronomy 32:4** *He is* the Rock, his work *is* perfect: for all his ways *are* judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right *is* he.

Genuine love has genuine action, to accompany the concern or "sympathy". It is a **sacrifice of self and giving** (*not taking advantage of*) others. It's not you give, and so then I'll give — Satan steals our genuine spontaneity this way. We don't need Satan to tell us when and **how** to celebrate or when and **how** to mourn. We can learn how to always help one another. Satan steers our actions in the wrong direction as we follow his rules of tradition. Don't be deceived, what we sow we will also reap. Don't let Satan destroy us by our taking advantage of others. If we be a part of causing bondage and enslavement to others (even unwittingly), then down the road a little we will be brought into that same bondage. If we serve Satan's traditions, we will reap the consequences down the road and **whole nations can be brought into bondage and enslavement** because of the way people treat one another or use one another. Through the traditions of those nations. Traditions unto hardship and enslavement. And the poor suffer the most because of it. The rich gain slaves. We should wake up to it. If we use someone up, and take advantage of them and bring them into bondage, then Gods Word says we will be taken advantage of and used and brought into bondage. Satan has tricked us into it.

**1 Timothy 5** 24Some men's sins are open beforehand, going before to judgment; and some *men* **they follow after**. 25Likewise also the good works *of some* are manifest beforehand; and they that are otherwise **cannot be hid**.

What we sow we reap. If it doesn't catch up with us in this world, it will in the next. Better for it to be on this world!!! On its own, **sympathy** expressed **without something genuine** combined with it, can be completely faked. But if something genuine of the nature of love is included, and **in** the spirit of love, it is then true to Jesus love. The kind that is **a sacrifice of yourself**. We can change the rules of the traditions. We should not let tradition control us, it's dangerous.

**Galatians 6:10** As we have therefore opportunity, let us **do good** unto all *men*, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.

**Luke 9** 59And he said unto another, Follow me. But he said, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father. 60Jesus said unto him, Let the dead bury their dead: but go thou and preach the kingdom of God.

**Colossians 2** 15And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it. 16**Let no man therefore judge you** in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath *days*: 17Which are a shadow of

things to come; but the body *is* of Christ. **18**Let no man beguile you of your reward in a **voluntary** humility and worshipping of angels, intruding into those things which he hath not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind, **19**And not holding the Head, from which all the body by joints and bands having nourishment ministered, and knit together, increaseth with the increase of God. **20**Wherefore **if ye be dead with Christ from the rudiments of the world, why**, as though living in the world, **are ye subject to ordinances**, **21**(Touch not; taste not; handle not; **22**Which all are to perish with the using;) after the **commandments and doctrines of men?** **23**Which things **have indeed a shew of wisdom** in will worship, and humility, and neglecting of the body; not in any honour to the satisfying of the flesh.

**1 Samuel 15:23** For **rebellion** *is* as the sin of witchcraft, and **stubbornness** *is* as iniquity and **idolatry**. Because thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, he hath also rejected thee from *being* king.

**Jeremiah 16:12** And you have done more evil than your fathers. See how each of you was following the stubbornness of his evil heart, **instead of** obeying Me.

Many nations mourn and mourn and mourn for those that have passed away. With great ceremony and ritual, **clinging** to grief and sorrow as though this is a good thing. This is not the fruit of The Spirit. And the **expenses incurred** in this, is where Satan manages to bring in His evil bondage & enslavement. The expense incurred in the keeping of all this can be terrible and disastrous. All the expense can be basically pushed upon the effected family, **by others**, whether they like it or not. If we truly do believe the gospel, and our loved one that passed away was a believer, **then** after an **appropriate** period of mourning and grief, we should turn to celebrating that our loved one is in a better place than ourselves. Not go on mourning as though we don't believe they are in Heaven. Jesus Christ was raised from the dead. To go on mourning is unbelief, and **becomes self pity**, shouldn't we be happy for them? The loved one is in Heaven, risen with Jesus Christ and so we can begin to have joy in this. Even if we may miss their companionship. God wants our worship to be toward Him and not to days or rituals or any other thing that drags our heart away for him. We can still remember each other on different occasions, and choose what we want to do at each moment of our lives. We can choose. We don't need to follow the rest of the world in its practices or traditions. There are traps and snares that are hard to see. If we are not careful, we might even end up turning the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus into vanity, celebrating rabbits and chocolate eggs. A mockery of Jesus sacrifice and suffering. The awfulness of vain religion mixed with worldly tradition has done untold damage to the Christian walk. Other "gods" are seeking our worship!!! God hates idolatry and we all know it. It's purpose is to draw us all away from the **relationship with** God that Jesus died to give back to us, after Adam and Eve lost it. We should **treasure this relationship** above all else. **Satan uses ritual and tradition and vain religion to push The Holy Spirit right out of the church.** **Satan wants ritual and tradition to replace faith**, with pretend or fake faith. So it becomes a fake church.

**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.

Faked church may eventually lose the True Light. The Holy Spirit doesn't work through ritual and tradition, He works through us. When we are walking in **genuine** love as He **leads** us. **This requires faith**— tradition blocks faith. God wants to **flow** through us in His power. He uses our personalities. God is always **challenging** us and growing us. He works through genuine action that comes from our hearts, that is love, that comes from our hearts. Tradition robs us of this, because we just do it because that's what everyone else does. So we can ensure we fit in and be accepted by men. Even if it causes harm, to others, in the expense of its fakery. But we can let go of tradition and use what we have, to **bless** those most in need. As we are **led**. We need not be dictated by tradition, what to do with what God has given us. We can be led by The Spirit instead of tradition—learning to be guided by Him. We can learn to be **guided where to give by God, instead of this blessing being taken away** from us. Yes it is more challenging to do things this way, because it requires faith and it requires listening to God and obeying, but the

reward and blessing is an eternal one. Jesus didn't say those **led by tradition** are the sons, He said those **led** by The Spirit, these are sons.

**Matthew 23:14** Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, **hypocrites! for ye devour widows' houses**, and for a pretence make long prayer: therefore ye shall receive the greater damnation.

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

**Romans 2:11** For there is no respect of persons with God.

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

{don't be married to the harlot church}

**Matthew 19:11** But he said unto them, All *men* cannot receive this saying, **save they to whom it is given**.

**Matthew 13:11** He answered and said unto them, Because **it is given unto you** to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, **but to them it is not given**.

**We can be set free from being led by tradition.** Respect of persons is dangerous because **the world** walks in obedience to Satan. The world is not aware of this, but we should be very aware of this. It is not given to them to understand. But we have the Word of God. And we have The Comforter and Teacher. We can discern spiritual things.

**1 Corinthians 2** **14**But the **natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit** of God: for they are **foolishness unto him: neither can he** know *them*, because they are **spiritually** discerned. **15**But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man. **16**For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But **we have the mind** of Christ.

**1 John 3:13** Marvel not, my brethren, if the world hate you.

**John 17:14** **I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them**, because they are **not of the world**, even as **I am not of the world**.

**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.

Tradition is used for false comfort. Through it, we can avoid walking by faith, but the problem with this is, without faith it is **impossible** to please God. Tradition blocks the challenge that God would have us walk in, in getting to know Him better. Because we like the comfort of tradition instead. God is always wanting to grow us, **as we step out** in faith. **Tradition allows us to sit safely** in the following of its rules, or standards, or format, its carnal pleasing safety. It blocks The Spirit. Tradition and ritual block The Holy Spirit from flowing because we are busy following the same old things every week, every year. But know this. If the Holy Spirit isn't leading The Church, it's a church in danger. Jesus knocks at the door to come in. We don't want Him to remove the candlestick. We must keep our first love alive. The world will hate us for it, because the world doesn't have The Spirit of God, they have that spirit of anti-Christ, and we do not want to conform with that spirit of anti-Christ. The **evil spirits working in** the people of the world get very, very, very, angry and offended if we dare to not follow **their** traditions and rituals. We will see **their anger manifest** in the people—we will see these **evil spirits manifest** in and through people. We should forgive the people they are in, they do not know what is happening. It is spiritually discerned, through The Spirit of God.

**Luke 23:34** Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for **they know not** what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots.

But we should be fully aware that **Satan is opposing us** and protecting his deceits and rituals and tradition. His kingdom **in** others, will be angry. He does not want us **following** The Spirit. He does not want The Spirit participating in fellowship **with** us. He does not want us being **led** by The Spirit. He does not want The Word to come **with** Power. He wants us **led** by tradition through vain religion. He wants us under the ordinances of men. This is the spirit of antichrist— Satan's kingdom opposing any who would break free, and be **led** by The Holy Spirit. People will get very, very angry(it's the demonic spirits manifesting through them) but we have an eternal hope in pleasing God. Not men. **Watch out for religious spirits**—they really, really, hate The Truth. Watch for anger!!! It's Satan **trying to shut down** The Truth. Anti-Christ.

Antichrist spirits get angry and offended when we **walk** in The Truth and are **led** by The Spirit and when The Spirit is working in The Church. They want religion, not the The Truth. They give themselves away, that they are present, **by the anger** and offence—**we can discern this**. They don't get angry at tradition —they love tradition being our guide and master. Because tradition **allows us to avoid being led** by The Spirit —it **replaces** The Spirit. So it becomes vanity/**useless**.

**1 John 4** 1Beloved, believe not every spirit, but **try the spirits** whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world. 2Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: 3And 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. 4Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because **greater is he that is in you**, than he that is in the world. 5**They are of the world: therefore speak they of the world**, and the world heareth them. 6We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; **he that is not of God heareth not us.** **Hereby know we** the spirit of truth, and the **spirit of error**.

If a church is not **led** by The Spirit of God, it has lost its first love. It has pushed The Holy Spirit out of the congregation and does it's **own** traditional thing. Jesus knocks to come in, but ritual and tradition have such a strong hold, that the church may no longer hear His voice nor allow Him to lead and guide. Rigid ritual, and formats, and tradition in church services, can quench The Spirit. It is **the ultimate vanity** to have church apart from The Holy Spirit. The Word comes with power. Without The Spirit, we can do NOTHING.

**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**.

**1 Thessalonians 1:5** for our gospel **did not come to you in word only**, but **also in power and** in the **Holy Spirit** and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake.

SATAN ALWAYS STRIVES TO **SHOVE** THE SPIRIT OF GOD **OUT** OF THE CONGREGATION. God Loves us, and is jealous for us, and He wants to guide us out from Satan's deceits, into freedom from Satan's rules, in every area of life. If we **stop being led by** traditions, **we will learn** to be **led** by God. Out from Satan's traditions in church and **also** his traditions of the world. God wants us free to walk **WITH** HIM. Our hearts. Jesus is knocking, to be let into His church.

**Song of Songs 5:2** I sleep, but my heart waketh: *it is* the voice of my beloved that knocketh, **saying, Open to me**, my sister, my love, my dove, **my undefiled:** for my head is filled with dew, and my locks with the drops of the night.

**Revelation 3** 19As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent. 20Behold, **I stand at the door, and knock:** if any man **hear my voice**, and **open** the door, **I will come in to him**, and will sup with him, and he with me. 21**To him that overcometh** will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne. 22**He that hath an ear**, let him **hear** what **the Spirit saith** unto the **churches**.

**Revelation 2** 4Nevertheless I have *somewhat* against thee, because **thou hast left thy first love**. 5Remember therefore from whence **thou art fallen**, and **repent**, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and **will remove thy candlestick out of his place**, except thou **repent**.

**Luke 12** 35Let your loins be girded about, and **your lights burning**; 36And ye yourselves **like unto men that wait for their lord**, when he will return from the wedding; that when he cometh and knocketh, they **may open unto him immediately**. 37Blessed are those **servants**, whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them. 38And if he shall come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find *them* so, **blessed are those servants**.

{we cannot **serve** ritual and tradition, and expect to be serving Jesus at the same time}  
{It blocks God from flowing through our hearts to love others and serve and help others}  
{it is a sneaky trap}  
{it costs us to come out of the world, but we are jealous for God, this is not our world}  
God is our world-we need the oil of The Spirit in our lamps  
{we need the flow of oil, the flow of The Spirit, **we need be wise**, not lazy in tradition}

*Even church services can turn into traditions and ritual, **doing the same things** every week. We can learn to allow God to enter into our fellowship, and then things become exciting, God is not boring and He is always challenging us to do new things. When God is present in our fellowship we see the supernatural power, healings, miracles, signs and wonders, that cause The Word **to come with** power. We should fill our vessels with The Spirit and let the flow of The Comforter edify and restore.*

**Matthew 25** 1Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom. 2And five of them were wise, and five *were* foolish. 3They that *were* foolish took their lamps, and took **no oil** with them: 4But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. 5While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept.

We need the *anointing* of The Spirit, the *oil* in our lamps. Tradition will never do this. Inviting God into the service and fellowship, to sup with us in a genuine communion with Him with the bread and the wine. We need to be so filled with The Spirit that it overflows from our lives. Wise virgins being led of God and flowing through The Spirit **in Love. In Jesus** because He is The Vine. Tradition is another way. It will block Jesus from coming in. Jesus knocks, He wants to come in.

**Luke 12:36** And ye yourselves **like unto men that wait for their lord**, when he will return from the wedding; that **when he cometh and knocketh**, they may **open unto him immediately**.

**John 10** 1Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up **some other way**, the same is a **thief and a robber**. 2But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. 3To him the porter openeth; and **the sheep hear his voice**: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. 4And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for **they know his voice**. 5And **a stranger will they not** follow, but **will flee** from him: for **they know not the voice of strangers**. 6This parable spake Jesus unto them: **but they understood not** what things they were which he spake unto them.

**Matthew 24:45** Who then is a **faithful and wise** servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, **to give them meat** in due season?

Are we under law or under grace???  
Are we **led** by formats and traditions and rituals, or are we **led** by God???

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

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

**Proverbs 13**

7There is that maketh himself rich, yet *hath* nothing: *there is* that maketh himself poor, yet *hath* great riches.

8The ransom of a man's life *are* his riches: but the poor heareth not rebuke.

**Psalm 26**

1{A *Psalm* of David.} Judge me, O LORD; for I have walked in mine integrity: I have trusted also in the LORD; *therefore* I shall not slide.

2Examine me, O LORD, and prove me; **try my reins** and my heart.

3For thy lovingkindness *is* before mine eyes: and I have walked in thy truth.

4I have not sat with vain persons, neither will I go in with dissemblers.

5I have hated the congregation of evil doers; and will not sit with the wicked.