WINTER HAVEN CHAPEL BIBLE STUDY

BOOK TO THE ROMANS THE GOSPEL [GOOD NEWS] OF GOD SALVATION: THE DIVINE METHOD OF DELIVERANCE FROM SIN THE SECRET OF A VICTORIOUS HOLY LIFE. VIII. PAUL'S EXPERIENCE, FULLY DELIVERED FROM SIN AND THE LAW, ILLUSTRATES THE DIVINE METHOD OF DELIVERANCE FROM BOTH. ROMANS 6:1 - 8:39

- 1. NO CONDEMNATION WHY?
 - A. ROMANS 8:1-39 THEREFORE, THERE IS NOW NO CONDEMNATION FOR THOSE WHO ARE IN CHRIST JESUS, [2] BECAUSE THROUGH CHRIST JESUS THE LAW OF THE SPIRIT OF LIFE SET ME FREE FROM THE LAW OF SIN AND DEATH. [3] FOR WHAT THE LAW WAS POWERLESS TO DO IN THAT IT WAS WEAKENED BY THE SINFUL NATURE, GOD DID BY SENDING HIS OWN SON IN THE LIKENESS OF SINFUL MAN TO BE A SIN OFFERING. AND SO HE CONDEMNED SIN IN SINFUL MAN, [4] IN ORDER THAT THE RIGHTEOUS REQUIREMENTS OF THE LAW MIGHT BE FULLY MET IN US, WHO DO NOT LIVE ACCORDING TO THE SINFUL NATURE BUT ACCORDING TO THE SPIRIT. [5] THOSE WHO LIVE ACCORDING TO THE SINFUL NATURE HAVE THEIR MINDS SET ON WHAT THAT NATURE DESIRES; BUT THOSE WHO LIVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SPIRIT HAVE THEIR MINDS SET ON WHAT THE SPIRIT DESIRES
 - I. 5:16-26GALATIANS 5:16-26 SO I SAY, LIVE BY THE SPIRIT, AND YOU WILL NOT GRATIFY THE DESIRES OF THE SINFUL NATURE. [17] FOR THE SINFUL NATURE DESIRES WHAT IS CONTRARY TO THE SPIRIT, AND THE SPIRIT WHAT IS CONTRARY TO THE SINFUL NATURE. THEY ARE IN CONFLICT WITH EACH OTHER, SO THAT YOU DO NOT DO WHAT YOU WANT. [18] BUT IF YOU ARE LED BY THE SPIRIT, YOU ARE NOT UNDER LAW. [19] THE ACTS OF THE SINFUL NATURE ARE OBVIOUS: SEXUAL IMMORALITY, IMPURITY AND DEBAUCHERY; [20] IDOLATRY AND WITCHCRAFT; HATRED, DISCORD, JEALOUSY, FITS OF RAGE, SELFISH AMBITION, DISSENSIONS, FACTIONS [21] AND ENVY; DRUNKENNESS, ORGIES, AND THE LIKE. I WARN YOU, AS I DID BEFORE, THAT THOSE WHO LIVE LIKE THIS WILL NOT INHERIT THE KINGDOM OF GOD. [22] BUT THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IS LOVE, JOY, PEACE, PATIENCE, KINDNESS, GOODNESS, FAITHFULNESS, [23] GENTLENESS AND SELF-CONTROL. AGAINST SUCH THINGS THERE IS NO LAW. [24] THOSE WHO BELONG TO CHRIST JESUS HAVE CRUCIFIED THE SINFUL NATURE WITH ITS PASSIONS AND DESIRES. [25] SINCE WE LIVE BY THE SPIRIT, LET US KEEP IN STEP WITH THE SPIRIT. [26] LET US NOT BECOME CONCEITED, PROVOKING AND ENVYING EACH OTHER. .
 - II. THIS VERSE SHOWS THE CONDITION OF PAUL AT THE TIME OF THIS WRITING. HE IS NOT BOUND BY SIN, ROMANS 7:7-24 THE EXCUSE THAT MUCH OF THE CHURCH USES FOR THEIR SIN.
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1	HE HAD NO CONDEMNATION	Verse 1
2	HE WAS FREE FROM THE LAW OF SIN	VERSE 2
3	HE WAS FREE FROM ETERNAL DEATH	VERSE 2
4	HIS SIN WAS CONDEMNED IN THE FLESH	verse 3
5	HE HAS FULFILLED RIGHTEOUSNESS	VERSE 4
6	HE HAD LIFE AND PEACE	verse 6
7	HE WAS SPIRIT FILLED	VERSE 9-11
8	HIS BODY WAS DEAD TO SIN	verse 10
9	HIS FLESH WAS CRUCIFIED	VERSE 12-13

10	HE WAS WALKING IN THE SPIRIT AND	Verse 1 -4 Gal
	NOT AFTER FLESH.	

III. IN CHRIST - BAPTIZED IN CHRIST - UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF CHRIST

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1	REDEMPTION	Romans 8:1	
2	FREEDOM FROM CONDEMNATION	Romans 8:1	
3	YOU HAVE THE SPIRIT OF LIFE	Romans 8:2	
4	LOVE OF GOD	R. 8:39, 1 Tim. 1:14 The grace of our Lord was poured out on me abundantly, along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.	
5	Truth	Romans 9:1	
6	Unity	Romans 12:15, Galatians 3:28 There is neither Jew Nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.	
7	Faith	1 TIM. 3:13 FOR THEY THAT HAVE USED THE OFFICE OF A DEACON WELL PURCHASE TO THEMSELVES A GOOD DEGREE, AND GREAT BOLDNESS IN THE FAITH WHICH IS IN CHRIST JESUS. ACTS 24:24 SEVERAL DAYS LATER FELIX CAME WITH HIS WIFE DRUSILLA, WHO WAS A JEWESS. HE SENT FOR PAUL AND LISTENED TO HIM AS HE SPOKE ABOUT FAITH IN CHRIST JESUS. 1 TIM. 3:13 THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED WELL GAIN AN EXCELLENT STANDING AND GREAT ASSURANCE IN THEIR FAITH IN CHRIST JESUS.	
8	Sanctification Wisdom Righteousness Holiness, Redemption	1 COR. 1:2 TO THE CHURCH OF GOD IN CORINTH, TO THOSE SANCTIFIED IN CHRIST JESUS AND CALLED TO BE HOLY, TOGETHER WITH ALL THOSE EVERYWHERE WHO CALL ON THE NAME OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRISTTHEIR LORD AND OURS: 1 COR. 1:30 IT IS BECAUSE OF HIM THAT YOU ARE IN CHRIST JESUS, WHO HAS BECOME FOR US WISDOM FROM GODTHAT IS, OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS, HOLINESS AND REDEMPTION.	
9	BEGETTING	1 COR. 4:15 EVEN THOUGH YOU HAVE TEN THOUSAND GUARDIANS IN CHRIST, YOU DO NOT HAVE MANY FATHERS, FOR IN CHRIST JESUS I BECAME YOUR FATHER THROUGH THE GOSPEL. 1 COR. 4:15 FOR THOUGH YE HAVE TEN THOUSAND INSTRUCTORS IN CHRIST, YET HAVE YE NOT MANY FATHERS: FOR IN CHRIST JESUS I HAVE BEGOTTEN YOU THROUGH THE GOSPEL.	

10	Норе	1 Cor. 15:19 If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are to be pitied more than all men.	
11	SECURITY IN DEATH	1 Cor. 15:18 Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost.	

IV. 8 LAWS FOUND IN ROMANS

1	LAW OF MOSES	ROMANS 2:12, 3:19, ROMANS 7:12 SO THEN, THE LAW IS HOLY, AND THE COMMANDMENT IS HOLY, RIGHTEOUS AND GOOD.	
2	LAW OF NATURE	ROMANS 2:14-15	
3	LAW OF FAITH	Romans 3:27, 4:3-5, 4:1-24	
4.	LAW OF THE MIND	Romans 7:16, 7:21, 7:23	
5.	LAW OF SIN	ROMANS 8:23, 8:25, 8:2	
6.	LAW OF RIGHTEOUSNESS	Romans 9:31 but Israel, who pursued a law of righteousness, has not attained it.	
7.	LAW OF GOD	Romans 7:22, 7:25	
8	LAW OF THE SPIRIT OF LIFE	ROMANS 8:2	

V. WHAT THE LAW COULD NOT DO!

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1	JUSTIFY	ACTS 13:38-39 "THEREFORE, MY BROTHERS, I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT THROUGH JESUS THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS IS PROCLAIMED TO YOU. [39] THROUGH HIM EVERYONE WHO BELIEVES IS JUSTIFIED FROM EVERYTHING YOU COULD NOT BE JUSTIFIED FROM BY THE LAW OF MOSES. GALATIANS 2:16 KNOWING THAT A MAN IS NOT JUSTIFIED BY THE WORKS OF THE LAW, BUT BY THE FAITH OF JESUS CHRIST, EVEN WE HAVE BELIEVED IN JESUS CHRIST, THAT WE MIGHT BE JUSTIFIED BY THE FAITH OF CHRIST, AND NOT BY THE WORKS OF THE LAW: FOR BY THE WORKS OF THE LAW SHALL NO FLESH BE JUSTIFIED.		
2	FREE FROM SIN AND DEATH	ROMANS 8:2		
3	Free from Condemnation	Romans 8:1-4		
4	Redeem	ROMANS 3:24-31, GALATIANS 3:13-14 CHRIST REDEEMED US FROM THE CURSE OF THE LAW BY BECOMING A CURSE FOR US, FOR IT IS WRITTEN: "CURSED IS EVERYONE WHO IS HUNG ON A TREE." [14] HE REDEEMED US IN ORDER THAT THE BLESSING GIVEN TO ABRAHAM MIGHT COME TO THE GENTILES THROUGH CHRIST JESUS, SO THAT BY FAITH WE MIGHT RECEIVE THE PROMISE OF THE SPIRIT.		
5	GIVE INHERITANCE	Romans 4:13-14		

6	BRING RIGHTEOUSNESS	Romans 8:4	
7	IMPART THE HOLY SPIRIT	GALATIANS 3:2 I WOULD LIKE TO LEARN JUST ONE THING FROM YOU: DID YOU RECEIVE THE SPIRIT BY OBSERVING THE LAW, OR BY BELIEVING WHAT YOU HEARD?	
8	PERFORM MIRACLES	GALATIANS 3:5 DOES GOD GIVE YOU HIS SPIRIT AND WORK MIRACLES AMONG YOU BECAUSE YOU OBSERVE THE LAW, OR BECAUSE YOU BELIEVE WHAT YOU HEARD?	
9	FREE FROM THE CURSE	GALATIANS 3:10-14 ALL WHO RELY ON OBSERVING THE LAW ARE UNDER A CURSE, FOR IT IS WRITTEN: "CURSED IS EVERYONE WHO DOES NOT CONTINUE TO DO EVERYTHING WRITTEN IN THE BOOK OF THE LAW." [11] CLEARLY NO ONE IS JUSTIFIED BEFORE GOD BY THE LAW, BECAUSE, "THE RIGHTEOUS WILL LIVE BY FAITH." [12] THE LAW IS NOT BASED ON FAITH; ON THE CONTRARY, "THE MAN WHO DOES THESE THINGS WILL LIVE BY THEM." [13] CHRIST REDEEMED US FROM THE CURSE OF THE LAW BY BECOMING A CURSE FOR US, FOR IT IS WRITTEN: "CURSED IS EVERYONE WHO IS HUNG ON A TREE." [14] HE REDEEMED US IN ORDER THAT THE BLESSING GIVEN TO ABRAHAM MIGHT COME TO THE GENTILES THROUGH CHRIST JESUS, SO THAT BY FAITH WE MIGHT RECEIVE THE PROMISE OF THE SPIRIT.	
10	Impart Faith	GALATIANS 3:12	
11	MAKE PERFECT	HEBREWS 7:19 (FOR THE LAW MADE NOTHING PERFECT), AND A BETTER HOPE IS INTRODUCED, BY WHICH WE DRAW NEAR TO GOD.	
12	KEEP MAN FROM SIN	ROMANS 7:7-23, ROMANS 8:7	
13	IMPART GRACE	GALATIANS 5:4 YOU WHO ARE TRYING TO BE JUSTIFIED BY LAW HAVE BEEN ALIENATED FROM CHRIST; YOU HAVE FALLEN AWAY FROM GRACE.	
14	Enable a man to obey	HEBREWS 7:18 THE FORMER REGULATION IS SET ASIDE BECAUSE IT WAS WEAK AND USELESS HEBREWS 7:18 FOR THERE IS VERILY A DISANNULLING OF THE COMMANDMENT GOING BEFORE FOR THE WEAKNESS AND UNPROFITABLENESS THEREOF.	

- VI. ROMANS 8:3 FOR WHAT THE LAW COULD NOT DO, IN THAT IT WAS WEAK THROUGH THE FLESH, GOD SENDING HIS OWN SON IN THE LIKENESS OF SINFUL FLESH, AND FOR SIN, CONDEMNED SIN IN THE FLESH:
 - (1) LIKENESS OF SINFUL FLESH, BUT NOT SINFUL FLESH, WHY NOT?
 - (A) CHRIST HAD NO FALL, THERE FOR HE WAS SIN LESS
 - (B) HE DID NOT SUBMIT TO SATAN AND THE SINFUL NATURE
 - (C) HE CAME FROM THE WOMAN, NOT THE SEED OF SINFUL MAN.
 - (D) MARY WAS JUST THE MEANS OF GOD BRINGING HIS SON INTO THIS WORLD IN HUMAN FORM.

- 2. EIGHTEEN CONTRASTS BETWEEN THE FLESHLY AND SPIRITUAL LIVES.
 - A. ROMANS 8:[6] THE MIND OF SINFUL MAN IS DEATH, BUT THE MIND CONTROLLED BY THE SPIRIT IS LIFE AND PEACE; [7] THE SINFUL MIND IS HOSTILE TO GOD. IT DOES NOT SUBMIT TO GOD'S LAW, NOR CAN IT DO SO. [8] THOSE CONTROLLED BY THE SINFUL NATURE CANNOT PLEASE GOD. [9] YOU, HOWEVER, ARE CONTROLLED NOT BY THE SINFUL NATURE BUT BY THE SPIRIT, IF THE SPIRIT OF GOD LIVES IN YOU. AND IF ANYONE DOES NOT HAVE THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST, HE DOES NOT BELONG TO CHRIST. [10] BUT IF CHRIST IS IN YOU, YOUR BODY IS DEAD BECAUSE OF SIN, YET YOUR SPIRIT IS ALIVE BECAUSE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS. [11] AND IF THE SPIRIT OF HIM WHO RAISED JESUS FROM THE DEAD IS LIVING IN YOU, HE WHO RAISED CHRIST FROM THE DEAD WILL ALSO GIVE LIFE TO YOUR MORTAL BODIES THROUGH HIS SPIRIT, WHO LIVES IN YOU. [12] THEREFORE, BROTHERS, WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION--BUT IT IS NOT TO THE SINFUL NATURE, TO LIVE ACCORDING TO IT. [13] FOR IF YOU LIVE ACCORDING TO THE SINFUL NATURE, YOU WILL DIE; BUT IF BY THE SPIRIT YOU PUT TO DEATH THE MISDEEDS OF THE BODY, YOU WILL LIVE,

	FLESHLY LIFE	SPIRITUAL LIFE	VERSE
1	MINDS THINGS OF THE FLESH	ATTENDS TO THINGS OF THE SPIRIT	Romans 8:5
2	CARNALLY MINDED	SPIRITUAL MINDED	Romans 8:7
3	SPIRITUALLY DEAD	SPIRITUALLY ALIVE	ROMANS 8:6
4.	Enmity to God	NO ENMITY	Romans 8:7
5	NOT SUBJECT TO GOD	IS SUBJECT TO GOD	Romans 8:7
6	CAN NOT BE SUBJECT	CAN BE	Romans 8:7
7	CANNOT PLEASE GOD	CAN PLEASE GOD	Romans 8:8
8	NOT IN THE SPIRIT	IS IN THE SPIRIT	Romans 8:8
9	NOT CHRIST'S	IS CHRIST'S	Romans 8:9
10	BODY ALIVE TO SIN	NOT ALIVE TO SIN	Romans 8:9
11	Spirit dead to God	SPIRIT ALIVE TO GOD	Romans 8:9
12	NO CHRIST	YOU HAVE CHRIST IN LIFE	Romans 8:10
13	SINFUL LIFE	RIGHTEOUS LIFE	Romans 8:10
14	NO HOLY SPIRIT	SPIRIT INDWELLS	Romans 8:10
15	NO BODY QUICKENING	QUICKENING OF THE BODY	Romans 8:10
16	DEBTOR TO YOUR FLESH	NO DEBTOR	ROMANS 8:12
17	NO HELP FROM THE SPIRIT	HELP FROM THE SPIRIT	ROMANS 8:13
18	End - Death	End - life	

3. THREE IMMEDIATE RESULTS OF LIVING IN THE SPIRIT

A. ROMANS 8: [14] BECAUSE THOSE WHO ARE LED BY THE SPIRIT OF GOD ARE SONS OF GOD. [15] FOR YOU DID NOT RECEIVE A SPIRIT THAT MAKES YOU A SLAVE AGAIN TO FEAR, BUT YOU RECEIVED THE SPIRIT OF SONSHIP. AND BY HIM WE CRY, "ABBA, FATHER." [16] THE SPIRIT HIMSELF TESTIFIES WITH OUR SPIRIT THAT WE ARE GOD'S CHILDREN.

- I. SON OF GOD
- II. NOT A SLAVE TO SATAN
 - (1) JOHN 8:44 YOU BELONG TO YOUR FATHER, THE DEVIL, AND YOU WANT TO CARRY OUT YOUR FATHER'S DESIRE. HE WAS A MURDERER FROM THE BEGINNING, NOT HOLDING TO THE TRUTH, FOR THERE IS NO TRUTH IN HIM. WHEN HE LIES, HE SPEAKS HIS NATIVE LANGUAGE, FOR HE IS A LIAR AND THE FATHER OF LIES.
 - (2) EPHESIANS. 2:2 IN WHICH YOU USED TO LIVE WHEN YOU FOLLOWED THE WAYS OF THIS WORLD AND OF THE RULER OF THE KINGDOM OF THE AIR, THE SPIRIT WHO IS NOW AT WORK IN THOSE WHO ARE DISOBEDIENT.
 - (3) HEBREWS 2:14-15 SINCE THE CHILDREN HAVE FLESH AND BLOOD, HE TOO SHARED IN THEIR HUMANITY SO THAT BY HIS DEATH HE MIGHT DESTROY HIM WHO HOLDS THE POWER OF DEATH--THAT IS, THE DEVIL-- [15] AND FREE THOSE WHO ALL THEIR LIVES WERE HELD IN SLAVERY BY THEIR FEAR OF DEATH.
 - (4) 1 JOHN 3:8 HE WHO DOES WHAT IS SINFUL IS OF THE DEVIL, BECAUSE THE DEVIL HAS BEEN SINNING FROM THE BEGINNING. THE REASON THE SON OF GOD APPEARED WAS TO DESTROY THE DEVIL'S WORK.
- III. SPIRIT OF ADOPTION
 - (1) ROMANS 5:5 AND HOPE DOES NOT DISAPPOINT US, BECAUSE GOD HAS POURED OUT HIS LOVE INTO OUR HEARTS BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, WHOM HE HAS GIVEN US.
 - (2) ROMANS 8:2, 9, 11, 15-16
 - (3) GALATIANS 4:4-6 BUT WHEN THE TIME HAD FULLY COME, GOD SENT HIS SON, BORN OF A WOMAN, BORN UNDER LAW, [5] TO REDEEM THOSE UNDER LAW, THAT WE MIGHT RECEIVE THE FULL RIGHTS OF SONS. [6] BECAUSE YOU ARE SONS, GOD SENT THE SPIRIT OF HIS SON INTO OUR HEARTS, THE SPIRIT WHO CALLS OUT, "ABBA, FATHER."
- IV. WE ARE CHILDREN OF $G\!OD$
 - (1) Our inner man with the Spirit of God, He $\,$ makes it known
 - (A) 1 COR. 2:11 FOR WHO AMONG MEN KNOWS THE THOUGHTS OF A MAN EXCEPT THE MAN'S SPIRIT WITHIN HIM? IN THE SAME WAY NO ONE KNOWS THE THOUGHTS OF GOD EXCEPT THE SPIRIT OF GOD.
- 4. SEVEN ETERNAL RESULTS OF DELIVERANCE FROM SIN
 - A. ROMANS 8: [17] NOW IF WE ARE CHILDREN, THEN WE ARE HEIRS--HEIRS OF GOD AND CO-HEIRS WITH CHRIST, IF INDEED WE SHARE IN HIS SUFFERINGS IN ORDER THAT WE MAY ALSO SHARE IN HIS GLORY. [18] I CONSIDER THAT OUR PRESENT SUFFERINGS ARE NOT WORTH COMPARING WITH THE GLORY THAT WILL BE REVEALED IN US. [19] THE CREATION WAITS IN EAGER EXPECTATION FOR THE SONS OF GOD TO BE REVEALED. [20] FOR THE CREATION WAS SUBJECTED TO FRUSTRATION, NOT BY ITS OWN CHOICE, BUT BY THE WILL OF THE ONE WHO SUBJECTED IT, IN HOPE [21] THAT THE CREATION ITSELF WILL BE LIBERATED FROM ITS BONDAGE TO DECAY AND BROUGHT INTO THE GLORIOUS FREEDOM OF THE CHILDREN OF GOD. [22] WE KNOW THAT THE WHOLE CREATION HAS BEEN GROANING AS IN THE PAINS OF CHILDBIRTH RIGHT UP TO THE PRESENT TIME. [23] NOT ONLY SO, BUT WE OURSELVES, WHO HAVE THE FIRSTFRUITS OF THE SPIRIT, GROAN INWARDLY AS WE WAIT EAGERLY FOR OUR ADOPTION AS SONS, THE REDEMPTION OF OUR BODIES. [24] FOR IN THIS HOPE WE WERE SAVED. BUT HOPE THAT IS SEEN IS NO HOPE AT ALL. WHO HOPES FOR WHAT HE ALREADY HAS? [25] BUT IF WE HOPE FOR WHAT WE DO NOT YET HAVE, WE WAIT FOR IT PATIENTLY.
 - I. IF WE ARE CHILDREN, THEN HEIRS.
 - (1) EPHES. 3:6 THIS MYSTERY IS THAT THROUGH THE GOSPEL THE GENTILES ARE HEIRS TOGETHER WITH ISRAEL, MEMBERS TOGETHER OF ONE BODY, AND SHARERS TOGETHER IN THE PROMISE IN CHRIST JESUS.
 - (2) HEBREWS 11:9 BY FAITH HE MADE HIS HOME IN THE PROMISED LAND LIKE A STRANGER IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY; HE LIVED IN TENTS, AS DID ISAAC AND JACOB, WHO WERE HEIRS WITH HIM OF THE SAME PROMISE.
 - (3) 1 PETER 3:7 HUSBANDS, IN THE SAME WAY BE CONSIDERATE AS YOU LIVE WITH YOUR WIVES, AND TREAT THEM WITH RESPECT AS THE WEAKER PARTNER AND AS HEIRS WITH YOU OF THE GRACIOUS GIFT OF LIFE, SO THAT NOTHING WILL HINDER YOUR PRAYERS.
 - II. IF SO WE SUFFER WITH HIM
 - (1) COL. 1:24 WHO NOW REJOICE IN MY SUFFERINGS FOR YOU, AND FILL UP THAT WHICH IS

BEHIND OF THE AFFLICTIONS OF CHRIST IN MY FLESH FOR HIS BODY'S SAKE, WHICH IS THE CHURCH:

- (2) 2 TIM. 2:12 IF WE SUFFER, WE SHALL ALSO REIGN WITH HIM: IF WE DENY HIM, HE ALSO WILL DENY US:
- (3) 2 TIM. 3:12 YEA, AND ALL THAT WILL LIVE GODLY IN CHRIST JESUS SHALL SUFFER PERSECUTION.
- III. NO SUFFERING CAN COMPARE TO THE GLORY
 - (1) 1 COR. 15:23 BUT EVERY MAN IN HIS OWN ORDER: CHRIST THE FIRSTFRUITS; AFTERWARD THEY THAT ARE CHRIST'S AT HIS COMING.
 - (2) 1 COR. 15:51-58 BEHOLD, I SHEW YOU A MYSTERY; WE SHALL NOT ALL SLEEP, BUT WE SHALL ALL BE CHANGED, [52] IN A MOMENT, IN THE TWINKLING OF AN EYE, AT THE LAST TRUMP: FOR THE TRUMPET SHALL SOUND, AND THE DEAD SHALL BE RAISED INCORRUPTIBLE, AND WE SHALL BE CHANGED. [53] FOR THIS CORRUPTIBLE MUST PUT ON INCORRUPTION, AND THIS MORTAL MUST PUT ON IMMORTALITY. [54] SO WHEN THIS CORRUPTIBLE SHALL HAVE PUT ON INCORRUPTION, AND THIS MORTAL SHALL HAVE PUT ON IMMORTALITY, THEN SHALL BE BROUGHT TO PASS THE SAYING THAT IS WRITTEN, DEATH IS SWALLOWED UP IN VICTORY. [55] O DEATH, WHERE IS THY STING? O GRAVE, WHERE IS THY VICTORY? [56] THE STING OF DEATH IS SIN; AND THE STRENGTH OF SIN IS THE LAW. [57] BUT THANKS BE TO GOD, WHICH GIVETH US THE VICTORY THROUGH OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST. [58] THEREFORE, MY BELOVED BRETHREN, BE YE STEADFAST, UNMOVABLE, ALWAYS ABOUNDING IN THE WORK OF THE LORD, FORASMUCH AS YE KNOW THAT YOUR LABOR IS NOT IN VAIN IN THE LORD.
 - (3) COL. 3:4 WHEN CHRIST, WHO IS OUR LIFE, SHALL APPEAR, THEN SHALL YE ALSO APPEAR WITH HIM IN GLORY.
 - (4) 1 THESSALONS. 4:13-17 BUT I WOULD NOT HAVE YOU TO BE IGNORANT, BRETHREN, CONCERNING THEM WHICH ARE ASLEEP, THAT YE SORROW NOT, EVEN AS OTHERS WHICH HAVE NO HOPE. [14] FOR IF WE BELIEVE THAT JESUS DIED AND ROSE AGAIN, EVEN SO THEM ALSO WHICH SLEEP IN JESUS WILL GOD BRING WITH HIM. [15] FOR THIS WE SAY UNTO YOU BY THE WORD OF THE LORD, THAT WE WHICH ARE ALIVE AND REMAIN UNTO THE COMING OF THE LORD SHALL NOT PREVENT THEM WHICH ARE ASLEEP. [16] FOR THE LORD HIMSELF SHALL DESCEND FROM HEAVEN WITH A SHOUT, WITH THE VOICE OF THE ARCHANGEL, AND WITH THE TRUMP OF GOD: AND THE DEAD IN CHRIST SHALL RISE FIRST: [17] THEN WE WHICH ARE ALIVE AND REMAIN SHALL BE CAUGHT UP TOGETHER WITH THEM IN THE CLOUDS, TO MEET THE LORD IN THE AIR: AND SO SHALL WE EVER BE WITH THE LORD.
- IV. THE DELIVERANCE OF ALL CREATION.
 - (1) MARK 10:6 "BUT AT THE BEGINNING OF CREATION GOD 'MADE THEM MALE AND FEMALE.'
 - (2) MARK 13:19 BECAUSE THOSE WILL BE DAYS OF DISTRESS UNEQUALED FROM THE BEGINNING, WHEN GOD CREATED THE WORLD, UNTIL NOW--AND NEVER TO BE EQUALED AGAIN.
 - (3) ROMANS 1:20 FOR SINCE THE CREATION OF THE WORLD GOD'S INVISIBLE QUALITIES--HIS ETERNAL POWER AND DIVINE NATURE--HAVE BEEN CLEARLY SEEN, BEING UNDERSTOOD FROM WHAT HAS BEEN MADE, SO THAT MEN ARE WITHOUT EXCUSE.
 - (4) Rev. 3:14 "To the angel of the church in Laodicea write: These are the words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the ruler of God's creation.
 - (5) MARK 16:15 HE SAID TO THEM, "GO INTO ALL THE WORLD AND PREACH THE GOOD NEWS TO ALL CREATION.
 - (6) 2 COR. 5:17 THEREFORE, IF ANYONE IS IN CHRIST, HE IS A NEW CREATION; THE OLD HAS GONE, THE NEW HAS COME!
 - (7) GALATIANS 6:15 NEITHER CIRCUMCISION NOR UNCIRCUMCISION MEANS ANYTHING; WHAT COUNTS IS A NEW CREATION.
 - (8) COL. 1:15 HE IS THE IMAGE OF THE INVISIBLE GOD, THE FIRSTBORN OVER ALL CREATION.
 - (9) Col. 1:23 IF You continue in Your Faith, established and firm, not moved from the hope held out in the gospel. This is the gospel that you heard and that

HAS BEEN PROCLAIMED TO EVERY CREATURE UNDER HEAVEN, AND OF WHICH I, PAUL, HAVE BECOME A SERVANT.

- (10) HEBREWS 4:13 NOTHING IN ALL CREATION IS HIDDEN FROM GOD'S SIGHT. EVERYTHING IS UNCOVERED AND LAID BARE BEFORE THE EYES OF HIM TO WHOM WE MUST GIVE ACCOUNT.
 - (A) ALL THIS SAYS, ALL OF CREATION IS WAITING FOR THE CURSE TO BE REMOVED.
- V. WHAT IS ALL CREATION WAITING FOR?
 - (1) ISAIAH 65:17 "BEHOLD, I WILL CREATE NEW HEAVENS AND A NEW EARTH. THE FORMER THINGS WILL NOT BE REMEMBERED, NOR WILL THEY COME TO MIND.
 - (2) ISAIAH 66:22-24 "AS THE NEW HEAVENS AND THE NEW EARTH THAT I MAKE WILL ENDURE BEFORE ME," DECLARES THE LORD, "SO WILL YOUR NAME AND DESCENDANTS ENDURE. [23] FROM ONE NEW MOON TO ANOTHER AND FROM ONE SABBATH TO ANOTHER, ALL MANKIND WILL COME AND BOW DOWN BEFORE ME," SAYS THE LORD. [24] "AND THEY WILL GO OUT AND LOOK UPON THE DEAD BODIES OF THOSE WHO REBELLED AGAINST ME; THEIR WORM WILL NOT DIE, NOR WILL THEIR FIRE BE QUENCHED, AND THEY WILL BE LOATHSOME TO ALL MANKIND."
 - (3) HEBREWS 1:10-12 HE ALSO SAYS, "IN THE BEGINNING, O LORD, YOU LAID THE FOUNDATIONS OF THE EARTH, AND THE HEAVENS ARE THE WORK OF YOUR HANDS. [11] THEY WILL PERISH, BUT YOU REMAIN; THEY WILL ALL WEAR OUT LIKE A GARMENT. [12] YOU WILL ROLL THEM UP LIKE A ROBE; LIKE A GARMENT THEY WILL BE CHANGED. BUT YOU REMAIN THE SAME, AND YOUR YEARS WILL NEVER END."
 - (4) HEBREWS 12:25-28 SEE TO IT THAT YOU DO NOT REFUSE HIM WHO SPEAKS. IF THEY DID NOT ESCAPE WHEN THEY REFUSED HIM WHO WARNED THEM ON EARTH, HOW MUCH LESS WILL WE, IF WE TURN AWAY FROM HIM WHO WARNS US FROM HEAVEN? [26] AT THAT TIME HIS VOICE SHOOK THE EARTH, BUT NOW HE HAS PROMISED, "ONCE MORE I WILL SHAKE NOT ONLY THE EARTH BUT ALSO THE HEAVENS." [27] THE WORDS "ONCE MORE" INDICATE THE REMOVING OF WHAT CAN BE SHAKEN--THAT IS, CREATED THINGS--SO THAT WHAT CANNOT BE SHAKEN MAY REMAIN. [28] THEREFORE, SINCE WE ARE RECEIVING A KINGDOM THAT CANNOT BE SHAKEN, LET US BE THANKFUL, AND SO WORSHIP GOD ACCEPTABLY WITH REVERENCE AND AWE,
 - (5) 2 PETER 3:10-13 BUT THE DAY OF THE LORD WILL COME LIKE A THIEF. THE HEAVENS WILL DISAPPEAR WITH A ROAR; THE ELEMENTS WILL BE DESTROYED BY FIRE, AND THE EARTH AND EVERYTHING IN IT WILL BE LAID BARE. [11] SINCE EVERYTHING WILL BE DESTROYED IN THIS WAY, WHAT KIND OF PEOPLE OUGHT YOU TO BE? YOU OUGHT TO LIVE HOLY AND GODLY LIVES [12] AS YOU LOOK FORWARD TO THE DAY OF GOD AND SPEED ITS COMING. THAT DAY WILL BRING ABOUT THE DESTRUCTION OF THE HEAVENS BY FIRE, AND THE ELEMENTS WILL MELT IN THE HEAT. [13] BUT IN KEEPING WITH HIS PROMISE WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH, THE HOME OF RIGHTEOUSNESS.
- VI. OVER SIN BY HOPE, VERSE 24 25
- 5. THE WORK OF THE DIVINE TRINITY IN BELIEVERS THE HOLY SPIRIT
 - A. ROMANS 8: [26] IN THE SAME WAY, THE SPIRIT HELPS US IN OUR WEAKNESS. WE DO NOT KNOW WHAT WE OUGHT TO PRAY FOR, BUT THE SPIRIT HIMSELF INTERCEDES FOR US WITH GROANS THAT WORDS CANNOT EXPRESS. [27] AND HE WHO SEARCHES OUR HEARTS KNOWS THE MIND OF THE SPIRIT, BECAUSE THE SPIRIT INTERCEDES FOR THE SAINTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOD'S WILL.
 - I. JOHN 3:5 JESUS ANSWERED, "I TELL YOU THE TRUTH, NO ONE CAN ENTER THE KINGDOM OF GOD UNLESS HE IS BORN OF WATER AND THE SPIRIT.
 - II. JOHN 14:16-17 AND I WILL ASK THE FATHER, AND HE WILL GIVE YOU ANOTHER COUNSELOR TO BE WITH YOU FOREVER-- [17] THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH. THE WORLD CANNOT ACCEPT HIM, BECAUSE IT NEITHER SEES HIM NOR KNOWS HIM. BUT YOU KNOW HIM, FOR HE LIVES WITH YOU AND WILL BE IN YOU.
 - III. JOHN 14:26 BUT THE COUNSELOR, THE HOLY SPIRIT, WHOM THE FATHER WILL SEND IN MY NAME, WILL TEACH YOU ALL THINGS AND WILL REMIND YOU OF EVERYTHING I HAVE SAID TO YOU.
 - IV. JOHN 15:7-13 IF YOU REMAIN IN ME AND MY WORDS REMAIN IN YOU, ASK WHATEVER YOU

WISH, AND IT WILL BE GIVEN YOU. [8] THIS IS TO MY FATHER'S GLORY, THAT YOU BEAR MUCH FRUIT, SHOWING YOURSELVES TO BE MY DISCIPLES. [9] "AS THE FATHER HAS LOVED ME, SO HAVE I LOVED YOU. NOW REMAIN IN MY LOVE. [10] IF YOU OBEY MY COMMANDS, YOU WILL REMAIN IN MY LOVE, JUST AS I HAVE OBEYED MY FATHER'S COMMANDS AND REMAIN IN HIS LOVE. [11] I HAVE TOLD YOU THIS SO THAT MY JOY MAY BE IN YOU AND THAT YOUR JOY MAY BE COMPLETE. [12] MY COMMAND IS THIS: LOVE EACH OTHER AS I HAVE LOVED YOU. [13] GREATER LOVE HAS NO ONE THAN THIS, THAT HE LAY DOWN HIS LIFE FOR HIS FRIENDS.

- V. JOHN 15:25-26 BUT THIS IS TO FULFILL WHAT IS WRITTEN IN THEIR LAW: 'THEY HATED ME WITHOUT REASON.' [26] "WHEN THE COUNSELOR COMES, WHOM I WILL SEND TO YOU FROM THE FATHER, THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH WHO GOES OUT FROM THE FATHER, HE WILL TESTIFY ABOUT ME.
- VI. 1 COR. 12:1-31 NOW ABOUT SPIRITUAL GIFTS, BROTHERS, I DO NOT WANT YOU TO BE IGNORANT. [2] YOU KNOW THAT WHEN YOU WERE PAGANS, SOMEHOW OR OTHER YOU WERE INFLUENCED AND LED ASTRAY TO MUTE IDOLS. [3] THEREFORE I TELL YOU THAT NO ONE WHO IS SPEAKING BY THE SPIRIT OF GOD SAYS, "JESUS BE CURSED," AND NO ONE CAN SAY, "JESUS IS LORD," EXCEPT BY THE HOLY SPIRIT. [4] THERE ARE DIFFERENT KINDS OF GIFTS, BUT THE SAME SPIRIT. [5] THERE ARE DIFFERENT KINDS OF SERVICE, BUT THE SAME LORD. [6] THERE ARE DIFFERENT KINDS OF WORKING, BUT THE SAME GOD WORKS ALL OF THEM IN ALL MEN. [7] NOW TO EACH ONE THE MANIFESTATION OF THE SPIRIT IS GIVEN FOR THE COMMON GOOD. [8] TO ONE THERE IS GIVEN THROUGH THE SPIRIT THE MESSAGE OF WISDOM, TO ANOTHER THE MESSAGE OF KNOWLEDGE BY MEANS OF THE SAME SPIRIT, [9] TO ANOTHER FAITH BY THE SAME SPIRIT, TO ANOTHER GIFTS OF HEALING BY THAT ONE SPIRIT, [10] TO ANOTHER MIRACULOUS POWERS, TO ANOTHER PROPHECY, TO ANOTHER DISTINGUISHING BETWEEN SPIRITS, TO ANOTHER SPEAKING IN DIFFERENT KINDS OF TONGUES, AND TO STILL ANOTHER THE INTERPRETATION OF TONGUES. [11] ALL THESE ARE THE WORK OF ONE AND THE SAME SPIRIT, AND HE GIVES THEM TO EACH ONE, JUST AS HE DETERMINES. [12] THE BODY IS A UNIT, THOUGH IT IS MADE UP OF MANY PARTS; AND THOUGH ALL ITS PARTS ARE MANY, THEY FORM ONE BODY. SO IT IS WITH CHRIST. [13] FOR WE WERE ALL BAPTIZED BY ONE SPIRIT INTO ONE BODY--WHETHER JEWS OR GREEKS, SLAVE OR FREE--AND WE WERE ALL GIVEN THE ONE SPIRIT TO DRINK. [14] NOW THE BODY IS NOT MADE UP OF ONE PART BUT OF MANY. [15] IF THE FOOT SHOULD SAY, "BECAUSE I AM NOT A HAND, I DO NOT BELONG TO THE BODY," IT WOULD NOT FOR THAT REASON CEASE TO BE PART OF THE BODY. [16] AND IF THE EAR SHOULD SAY, "BECAUSE I AM NOT AN EYE, I DO NOT BELONG TO THE BODY," IT WOULD NOT FOR THAT REASON CEASE TO BE PART OF THE BODY. [17] IF THE WHOLE BODY WERE AN EYE, WHERE WOULD THE SENSE OF HEARING BE? IF THE WHOLE BODY WERE AN EAR, WHERE WOULD THE SENSE OF SMELL BE? [18] BUT IN FACT GOD HAS ARRANGED THE PARTS IN THE BODY, EVERY ONE OF THEM, JUST AS HE WANTED THEM TO BE. [19] IF THEY WERE ALL ONE PART, WHERE WOULD THE BODY BE? [20] AS IT IS, THERE ARE MANY PARTS, BUT ONE BODY. [21] THE EYE CANNOT SAY TO THE HAND, "I DON'T NEED YOU!" AND THE HEAD CANNOT SAY TO THE FEET, "I DON'T NEED YOU!" [22] ON THE CONTRARY, THOSE PARTS OF THE BODY THAT SEEM TO BE WEAKER ARE INDISPENSABLE, [23] AND THE PARTS THAT WE THINK ARE LESS HONORABLE WE TREAT WITH SPECIAL HONOR. AND THE PARTS THAT ARE UNPRESENTABLE ARE TREATED WITH SPECIAL MODESTY, [24] WHILE OUR PRESENTABLE PARTS NEED NO SPECIAL TREATMENT. BUT GOD HAS COMBINED THE MEMBERS OF THE BODY AND HAS GIVEN GREATER HONOR TO THE PARTS THAT LACKED IT, [25] SO THAT THERE SHOULD BE NO DIVISION IN THE BODY, BUT THAT ITS PARTS SHOULD HAVE EQUAL CONCERN FOR EACH OTHER. [26] IF ONE PART SUFFERS, EVERY PART SUFFERS WITH IT; IF ONE PART IS HONORED, EVERY PART REJOICES WITH IT. [27] NOW YOU ARE THE BODY OF CHRIST, AND EACH ONE OF YOU IS A PART OF IT. [28] AND IN THE CHURCH GOD HAS APPOINTED FIRST OF ALL APOSTLES, SECOND PROPHETS, THIRD TEACHERS, THEN WORKERS OF MIRACLES, ALSO THOSE HAVING GIFTS OF HEALING, THOSE ABLE TO HELP OTHERS, THOSE WITH GIFTS OF ADMINISTRATION, AND THOSE SPEAKING IN DIFFERENT KINDS OF TONGUES. [29] ARE ALL APOSTLES? ARE ALL PROPHETS? ARE ALL TEACHERS? DO ALL WORK MIRACLES? [30] DO ALL HAVE GIFTS OF HEALING? DO ALL SPEAK IN TONGUES? DO ALL INTERPRET? [31] BUT EAGERLY DESIRE THE GREATER GIFTS. AND NOW I WILL SHOW YOU

THE MOST EXCELLENT WAY.

- 6. Work of the Father in lives delivered from Sin.
 - A. ROMANS 8: [28] AND WE KNOW THAT IN ALL THINGS GOD WORKS FOR THE GOOD OF THOSE WHO LOVE HIM, WHO HAVE BEEN CALLED ACCORDING TO HIS PURPOSE. [29] FOR THOSE GOD FOREKNEW HE ALSO PREDESTINED TO BE CONFORMED TO THE LIKENESS OF HIS SON, THAT HE MIGHT BE THE FIRSTBORN AMONG MANY BROTHERS. [30] AND THOSE HE PREDESTINED, HE ALSO CALLED; THOSE HE CALLED, HE ALSO JUSTIFIED; THOSE HE JUSTIFIED, HE ALSO GLORIFIED. [31] WHAT, THEN, SHALL WE SAY IN RESPONSE TO THIS? IF GOD IS FOR US, WHO CAN BE AGAINST US? [32] HE WHO DID NOT SPARE HIS OWN SON, BUT GAVE HIM UP FOR US ALL-HOW WILL HE NOT ALSO, ALONG WITH HIM, GRACIOUSLY GIVE US ALL THINGS? [33] WHO WILL BRING ANY CHARGE AGAINST THOSE WHOM GOD HAS CHOSEN? IT IS GOD WHO JUSTIFIES.
 - I. JOHN 12:26 WHOEVER SERVES ME MUST FOLLOW ME; AND WHERE I AM, MY SERVANT ALSO WILL BE. MY FATHER WILL HONOR THE ONE WHO SERVES ME.
 - II. JOHN 14:26 BUT THE COUNSELOR, THE HOLY SPIRIT, WHOM THE FATHER WILL SEND IN MY NAME, WILL TEACH YOU ALL THINGS AND WILL REMIND YOU OF EVERYTHING I HAVE SAID TO YOU.
 - III. JOHN 15:26 "WHEN THE COUNSELOR COMES, WHOM I WILL SEND TO YOU FROM THE FATHER, THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH WHO GOES OUT FROM THE FATHER, HE WILL TESTIFY ABOUT ME.
 - IV. JOHN 16:23-26 IN THAT DAY YOU WILL NO LONGER ASK ME ANYTHING. I TELL YOU THE TRUTH, MY FATHER WILL GIVE YOU WHATEVER YOU ASK IN MY NAME. [24] UNTIL NOW YOU HAVE NOT ASKED FOR ANYTHING IN MY NAME. ASK AND YOU WILL RECEIVE, AND YOUR JOY WILL BE COMPLETE. [25] "THOUGH I HAVE BEEN SPEAKING FIGURATIVELY, A TIME IS COMING WHEN I WILL NO LONGER USE THIS KIND OF LANGUAGE BUT WILL TELL YOU PLAINLY ABOUT MY FATHER. [26] IN THAT DAY YOU WILL ASK IN MY NAME. I AM NOT SAYING THAT I WILL ASK THE FATHER ON YOUR BEHALF.
 - V. 2 COR. 3:3-6 YOU SHOW THAT YOU ARE A LETTER FROM CHRIST, THE RESULT OF OUR MINISTRY, WRITTEN NOT WITH INK BUT WITH THE SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD, NOT ON TABLETS OF STONE BUT ON TABLETS OF HUMAN HEARTS. [4] SUCH CONFIDENCE AS THIS IS OURS THROUGH CHRIST BEFORE GOD. [5] NOT THAT WE ARE COMPETENT IN OURSELVES TO CLAIM ANYTHING FOR OURSELVES, BUT OUR COMPETENCE COMES FROM GOD. [6] HE HAS MADE US COMPETENT AS MINISTERS OF A NEW COVENANT--NOT OF THE LETTER BUT OF THE SPIRIT; FOR THE LETTER KILLS, BUT THE SPIRIT GIVES LIFE.
 - VI. PHILIP. 2:13 FOR IT IS GOD WHO WORKS IN YOU TO WILL AND TO ACT ACCORDING TO HIS GOOD PURPOSE.
 - VII. TITUS 2:11-12 FOR THE GRACE OF GOD THAT BRINGS SALVATION HAS APPEARED TO ALL MEN. [12] IT TEACHES US TO SAY "NO" TO UNGODLINESS AND WORLDLY PASSIONS, AND TO LIVE SELF-CONTROLLED, UPRIGHT AND GODLY LIVES IN THIS PRESENT AGE,
- 7. THE WORK OF CHRIST IN THE LIVES OF THOSE DELIVERED FROM SIN
 - A. ROMANS 8: [34] WHO IS HE THAT CONDEMNS? CHRIST JESUS, WHO DIED--MORE THAN THAT, WHO WAS RAISED TO LIFE--IS AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD AND IS ALSO INTERCEDING FOR US. [35] WHO SHALL SEPARATE US FROM THE LOVE OF CHRIST? SHALL TROUBLE OR HARDSHIP OR PERSECUTION OR FAMINE OR NAKEDNESS OR DANGER OR SWORD? [36] AS IT IS WRITTEN: "FOR YOUR SAKE WE FACE DEATH ALL DAY LONG; WE ARE CONSIDERED AS SHEEP TO BE SLAUGHTERED." [37] NO, IN ALL THESE THINGS WE ARE MORE THAN CONQUERORS THROUGH HIM WHO LOVED US. [38] FOR I AM CONVINCED THAT NEITHER DEATH NOR LIFE, NEITHER ANGELS NOR DEMONS, NEITHER THE PRESENT NOR THE FUTURE, NOR ANY POWERS, [39] NEITHER HEIGHT NOR DEPTH, NOR ANYTHING ELSE IN ALL CREATION, WILL BE ABLE TO SEPARATE US FROM THE LOVE OF GOD THAT IS IN CHRIST JESUS OUR LORD.
 - I. MATTHEW 3:11 "I BAPTIZE YOU WITH WATER FOR REPENTANCE. BUT AFTER ME WILL COME ONE WHO IS MORE POWERFUL THAN I, WHOSE SANDALS I AM NOT FIT TO CARRY. HE WILL BAPTIZE YOU WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT AND WITH FIRE.
 - II. MATTHEW 16:18 AND I TELL YOU THAT YOU ARE PETER, AND ON THIS ROCK I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH, AND THE GATES OF HADES WILL NOT OVERCOME IT.
 - III. JOHN 1:33 I WOULD NOT HAVE KNOWN HIM, EXCEPT THAT THE ONE WHO SENT ME TO BAPTIZE WITH WATER TOLD ME, 'THE MAN ON WHOM YOU SEE THE SPIRIT COME DOWN AND

REMAIN IS HE WHO WILL BAPTIZE WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT.'

- IV. JOHN 7:37-39 ON THE LAST AND GREATEST DAY OF THE FEAST, JESUS STOOD AND SAID IN A LOUD VOICE, "IF ANYONE IS THIRSTY, LET HIM COME TO ME AND DRINK. [38] WHOEVER BELIEVES IN ME, AS THE SCRIPTURE HAS SAID, STREAMS OF LIVING WATER WILL FLOW FROM WITHIN HIM." [39] BY THIS HE MEANT THE SPIRIT, WHOM THOSE WHO BELIEVED IN HIM WERE LATER TO RECEIVE. UP TO THAT TIME THE SPIRIT HAD NOT BEEN GIVEN, SINCE JESUS HAD NOT YET BEEN GLORIFIED.
- V. ACTS 1:4-8 ON ONE OCCASION, WHILE HE WAS EATING WITH THEM, HE GAVE THEM THIS COMMAND: "DO NOT LEAVE JERUSALEM, BUT WAIT FOR THE GIFT MY FATHER PROMISED, WHICH YOU HAVE HEARD ME SPEAK ABOUT. [5] FOR JOHN BAPTIZED WITH WATER, BUT IN A FEW DAYS YOU WILL BE BAPTIZED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT." [6] SO WHEN THEY MET TOGETHER, THEY ASKED HIM, "LORD, ARE YOU AT THIS TIME GOING TO RESTORE THE KINGDOM TO ISRAEL?" [7] HE SAID TO THEM: "IT IS NOT FOR YOU TO KNOW THE TIMES OR DATES THE FATHER HAS SET BY HIS OWN AUTHORITY. [8] BUT YOU WILL RECEIVE POWER WHEN THE HOLY SPIRIT COMES ON YOU; AND YOU WILL BE MY WITNESSES IN JERUSALEM, AND IN ALL JUDEA AND SAMARIA, AND TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH."
- VI. EPHESIANS. 1:22 AND GOD PLACED ALL THINGS UNDER HIS FEET AND APPOINTED HIM TO BE HEAD OVER EVERYTHING FOR THE CHURCH,
- VII. EPHESIANS. 4:11 IT WAS HE WHO GAVE SOME TO BE APOSTLES, SOME TO BE PROPHETS, SOME TO BE EVANGELISTS, AND SOME TO BE PASTORS AND TEACHERS,
- VIII. HEBREWS 2:14-18 SINCE THE CHILDREN HAVE FLESH AND BLOOD, HE TOO SHARED IN THEIR HUMANITY SO THAT BY HIS DEATH HE MIGHT DESTROY HIM WHO HOLDS THE POWER OF DEATH--THAT IS, THE DEVIL-- [15] AND FREE THOSE WHO ALL THEIR LIVES WERE HELD IN SLAVERY BY THEIR FEAR OF DEATH. [16] FOR SURELY IT IS NOT ANGELS HE HELPS, BUT ABRAHAM'S DESCENDANTS. [17] FOR THIS REASON HE HAD TO BE MADE LIKE HIS BROTHERS IN EVERY WAY, IN ORDER THAT HE MIGHT BECOME A MERCIFUL AND FAITHFUL HIGH PRIEST IN SERVICE TO GOD, AND THAT HE MIGHT MAKE ATONEMENT FOR THE SINS OF THE PEOPLE. [18] BECAUSE HE HIMSELF SUFFERED WHEN HE WAS TEMPTED, HE IS ABLE TO HELP THOSE WHO ARE BEING TEMPTED.
- IX. HEBREWS 4:14-16 THEREFORE, SINCE WE HAVE A GREAT HIGH PRIEST WHO HAS GONE THROUGH THE HEAVENS, JESUS THE SON OF GOD, LET US HOLD FIRMLY TO THE FAITH WE PROFESS. [15] FOR WE DO NOT HAVE A HIGH PRIEST WHO IS UNABLE TO SYMPATHIZE WITH OUR WEAKNESSES, BUT WE HAVE ONE WHO HAS BEEN TEMPTED IN EVERY WAY, JUST AS WE ARE--YET WAS WITHOUT SIN. [16] LET US THEN APPROACH THE THRONE OF GRACE WITH CONFIDENCE, SO THAT WE MAY RECEIVE MERCY AND FIND GRACE TO HELP US IN OUR TIME OF NEED.