

What We Believe

Community Pentecostal Church believes and practises the following tenets of faith. This list is derived from the official *Statement of Fundamental and Essential Truths* of The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada (PAOC). Click the links to see the original statement with scriptures, New King James Version.

We believe:

1. [The Scriptures are Inspired by God](#) and declare His design and plan for mankind;
2. [There is only One True God](#)—revealed in three persons...Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (commonly known as the Trinity);
3. that man, though originally good, [Willingly Fell into Sin](#)—ushering evil and death, both physical and spiritual, into the world;
4. [Every Person Can Have Restored Fellowship with God Through 'Salvation'](#) (accepting Christ's offer of forgiveness for sin) [1 of 4 cardinal doctrines of the PAOC];
5. [Sanctification Initially Occurs at Salvation](#) and is not only a declaration that a believer is holy, but also a progressive lifelong process of separating from evil as believers continually draw closer to God and become more Christlike;
6. [the Baptism in the Holy Spirit is a Special Experience Following Salvation](#) that empowers believers for witnessing and effective service, just as it did in New Testament times. [1 of 4 cardinal doctrines of the PAOC]; The initial physical evidence of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit is 'speaking in tongues,' as experienced on the Day of Pentecost and referenced throughout the New Testament;
7. the [Gifts of the Spirit](#) are given by God to believers for use in the church today;
8. [Divine Healing of the Sick is a Privilege for Christians Today](#) and is provided for in Christ's atonement (His sacrificial death on the cross for our sins) [1 of 4 cardinal doctrines of the PAOC];
9. [The Universal Church](#) is the Body of Christ and consists of the people who, throughout time, have accepted God's offer of redemption (regardless of religious denomination) through the sacrificial death of His son Jesus Christ;
10. the [Local Church](#) consists of believers in a given locale who join together for worship and ministry;
11. the Church must practise two [Ordinances](#):
 - a. The Lord's Supper (Communion) as a symbolic remembrance of Christ's suffering and death for our salvation; and
 - b. Water Baptism by Immersion after repenting of one's sins and receiving Christ's gift of salvation;
12. [A Divinely Called and Scripturally Ordained Leadership Ministry Serves the Church](#). The Bible teaches that each of us under leadership must commit ourselves to reach others for Christ, to worship Him with other believers, and to build up or edify the body of believers - the Church;
13. in [The Blessed Hope – When Jesus Raptures His Church Prior to His Return to Earth](#) (the second coming). At this future moment in time all believers who have died will rise from their graves and will meet the Lord in the air and Christians who are alive will be caught up with them, to be with the Lord forever; [1 of 4 cardinal doctrines of the PAOC]
14. in [The Tribulation](#), a time of judgment on the entire earth;
15. in [The Second Coming of Christ](#) when Jesus returns with His saints and begins His benevolent rule over earth for 1,000 years. This millennial reign will bring the salvation of national Israel and the establishment of universal peace;
16. A [Final Judgment](#) will take place for those who have rejected Christ. They will be judged for their sin and consigned to eternal punishment in a punishing lake of fire;
17. in [The Eternal State of the Righteous](#) and anticipate the perfect New Heavens and a New Earth that Christ is preparing for all people, of all time, who have accepted Him. We will live and dwell with Him there forever following His millennial reign on Earth. 'And so shall we forever be with the Lord!'

Statement of Fundamental and Essential Truths

1. Inspired Scripture

- a. All Scripture is given by inspiration of God¹ by which we understand the whole Bible to be inspired in the sense that holy men of God were moved by the Holy Spirit to write the very words of Scripture.² Divine inspiration extends equally and fully to all parts of the original writings. The whole Bible in the original is, therefore, without error and, as such, is infallible, absolutely supreme and sufficient in authority in all matters of faith and practice.³
- b. The Bible does not simply contain the Word of God, but is, in reality, the complete revelation and very Word of God inspired by the Holy Spirit. Christian believers today receive spiritual illumination to enable them to understand the Scriptures,⁴ but God does not grant new revelations that are contrary or additional to inspired biblical truth.⁵

2. The One True God

- a. The Godhead exists eternally in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. These three are one God, having the same nature and attributes and are worthy of the same homage, confidence, and obedience.⁶
- b. The Father
 - i. The Father exists eternally as the Creator of heaven and earth, the Giver of the Law, to whom all things will be subjected, so that He may be all in all.⁷
- c. The Son
 - i. The Lord Jesus Christ, the eternal and only begotten Son of the Father, is true God and true man.⁸ He was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,⁹ and by His sinless life, miracles and teaching, gave full revelation of the Father.¹⁰ He died upon the cross, the Just for the unjust, as a substitution sacrifice.¹¹ He rose from the dead.¹² He is now at the right hand of the Majesty on high as our great High Priest.¹³ He will come again to establish His kingdom in righteousness and peace.¹⁴
- d. The Holy Spirit
 - i. The Holy Spirit is also God, performing actions and possessing the attributes of the Deity.¹⁵ His personality is shown by the fact that He has personal characteristics and that individuals may relate to Him as a person.¹⁶

3. The Fall of Man

Man was originally created in the image and likeness of God.¹⁷ He fell through sin and, as a consequence, incurred both spiritual and physical death.¹⁸ Spiritual death and the depravity of human nature have been

¹ 2 Timothy 3:16,17

² 2 Peter 1:20, 21

³ Psalm 119:160a; Matthew 5:17,18

⁴ 1 Corinthians 2:12-14

⁵ Proverbs 30:5,6

⁶ Matthew 3:16,17; 28:19; 2 Corinthians 13:14

⁷ Genesis 1:1; 1 Corinthians 15:28

⁸ John 1:14; 10:30; 17; Philippians 2:6,7; Hebrews 1:8

⁹ Luke 1:26-35

¹⁰ John 12:49; Acts 2:22; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Hebrews 7:26

¹¹ Romans 5:6,8; 1 Corinthians 15:3; 1 Peter 3:18

¹² Matthew 28:6; 1 Corinthians 15:4,20

¹³ Acts 1:9-11; 2:33; Hebrews 8:1

¹⁴ Matthew 25:31

¹⁵ Acts 5:3,4

¹⁶ John 16:13-14

¹⁷ Genesis 1:26; 2:7

¹⁸ Romans 5:12; James 1:14,15

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transmitted to the entire human race¹⁹ with the exception of the Man Christ Jesus.²⁰ Man can be saved only through the atoning work of the Lord Jesus Christ.²¹

4. Salvation

a. Atonement Of Christ

Salvation has been provided for all men through the sacrifice of Christ upon the cross.²² It is the only perfect redemption and substitution atonement for all the sins of the world, both original and actual. His atoning work has been proven by His resurrection from the dead.²³ Those who repent and believe in Christ are born again of the Holy Spirit and receive eternal life.²⁴ Furthermore, in the atonement, divine healing was provided for all believers.²⁵

b. Repentance and Faith

Man can be born again only through faith in Christ. Repentance, a vital part of believing, is a complete change of mind wrought by the Holy Spirit²⁶, turning a person to God from sin.

c. Regeneration

Regeneration is a creative work of the Holy Spirit by which man is born again and receives spiritual life.²⁷

d. Justification

Justification is a judicial act of God by which the sinner is declared righteous solely on the basis of his acceptance of Christ as Saviour.²⁸

5. Sanctification

Sanctification is dedication to God and separation from evil.²⁹ In experience it is both instantaneous³⁰ and progressive.³¹ It is produced in the life of the believer by his appropriation of the power of Christ's blood and risen life through the person of the Holy Spirit;³² He draws the believer's attention to Christ, teaches him through the Word and produces the character of Christ within him.³³ Believers who sin must repent and seek forgiveness through faith in the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ.³⁴

6. Baptism in the Holy Spirit

The baptism in the Holy Spirit is an experience in which the believer yields control of himself to the Holy Spirit.³⁵ Through this he comes to know Christ in a more intimate way³⁶ and receives power to witness and

¹⁹ Jeremiah 17:9; Romans 3:10-19, 23

²⁰ Hebrews 7:26

²¹ John 14:6; Acts 4:12; 1 Timothy 2:5,6

²² Isaiah 53:3-6; John 12:32,33; 1 Peter 2:24

²³ Acts 2:36; Romans 4:25; 1 Corinthians 15:14,17; Hebrews 10:12; 1 John 2:2

²⁴ Acts 20:21; 1 Peter 1:23,25

²⁵ Isaiah 53:4,5; Matthew 8:16b,17

²⁶ Isaiah 55:7; Acts 17:30; Galatians 3:22,26; Ephesians 2:8; 1 John 5:10-13

²⁷ John 3:3b,5b,7; 2 Corinthians 5:17,18a; 1 Peter 1:23

²⁸ Romans 3:24; 4:3-5; 5:1-2

²⁹ 2 Corinthians 6:14; 7:1

³⁰ John 17:17,19; Hebrews 10:10,14

³¹ 1 Thessalonians 5:23; 2 Timothy 2:19-22; 1 Peter 1:14-16

³² Romans 6:11,13,14,18

³³ 1 Corinthians 13; Galatians 5:22,23; 2 Peter 1:3-4

³⁴ 1 John 1:9; 2:1-2

³⁵ Matthew 3:11; Acts 1:5; Ephesians 5:18

³⁶ John 16:13-15

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grow spiritually.³⁷ Believers should earnestly seek the baptism in the Holy Spirit according to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ.³⁸ The initial evidence of the baptism in the Holy Spirit is speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance.³⁹ This experience is distinct from and subsequent to the experience of the new birth.⁴⁰

7. The Gifts of the Spirit

The gifts of the Spirit are supernatural abilities given by God through the exercising of which believers are enabled to minister effectively and directly in particular situations.⁴¹ They serve the dual function of building up the church and of demonstrating the presence of God within His church.⁴²

8. Divine Healing

Divine healing provided in the atonement of Christ⁴³ is the privilege of all believers. Prayer for the sick and gifts of healing are encouraged and practised.⁴⁴

9. The Universal Church

All who are born again are members of the universal church, which is the Body and Bride of Christ.⁴⁵

10. The Local Church

The local church is a body of believers in Christ who have joined together to function as a part of the universal church.⁴⁶ The local church is ordained by God and provides a context in which believers corporately worship God⁴⁷, observe the ordinances of the church, are instructed in the faith and are equipped for the evangelization of the world.⁴⁸

11. Ordinances

a. The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is a symbol, memorial and proclamation of the suffering and death of our Lord Jesus Christ. This ordinance of communion is to be participated in by believers until Christ's return.⁴⁹

b. Water Baptism

Water baptism signifies the believer's identification with Christ in His death, burial and resurrection and is practised by immersion.⁵⁰

12. Ministry

³⁷ 2 Corinthians 3:18; Acts 1:8

³⁸ Luke 24:49; Acts 1:4,8

³⁹ Acts 2:1-4, 9-17,39; 1 Corinthians 14:18

⁴⁰ Acts 8:12-17; 10:44-46

⁴¹ 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

⁴² 1 Corinthians 12:7; 14:12,24-25

⁴³ Matthew 8:16,17

⁴⁴ 1 Corinthians 12:28-30; James 5:14

⁴⁵ 1 Corinthians 12:13; Ephesians 5:25b; Colossians 1:18; 1 Timothy 3:15

⁴⁶ Acts 14:23; 1 Corinthians 16:19

⁴⁷ John 4:23; Acts 20:7

⁴⁸ Acts 1:8; 11:19-24; 2 Timothy 2:2; 1 Peter 5:2

⁴⁹ Matthew 26:26-28; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; 11:23-26

⁵⁰ Matthew 28:19; Mark 16:15-16; Acts 2:38,41; 8:36-39; Romans 6:3-5

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A divinely called and ordained ministry is the provision of the Lord to give leadership to the church as it fulfils its purposes.⁵¹

13. The Rapture

The rapture, the blessed hope of the church, is the imminent coming of the Lord in the air to receive to Himself His own, both the living who shall be transformed, and the dead in Christ who shall be resurrected.⁵² This event takes place before the wrath of God is poured out during the tribulation. Believers then will appear before the judgment seat of Christ to be judged according to faithfulness in Christian service.⁵³

14. The Tribulation

The tribulation will be a time of judgment on the whole earth.⁵⁴ During this period the Antichrist will emerge to offer false hope to the nations.⁵⁵

15. The Second Coming of Christ

The return of Christ to earth in power and great glory will conclude the great tribulation with the victory at Armageddon,⁵⁶ the defeat of Antichrist and the binding of Satan.⁵⁷ Christ will introduce the millennial age⁵⁸, restore Israel to her own land, lift the curse which now rests upon the whole creation, and bring the whole world to the knowledge of God.⁵⁹

16. The Final Judgment

There will be a final judgment in which the unbelieving dead will be raised and judged at the great white throne, according to their works.⁶⁰

The beast and false prophet, the devil and his angels, and whoever is not found in the Book of Life, shall be cast into the lake of fire, not to annihilation but to everlasting punishment, which is the second death.⁶¹

17. The Eternal State of the Righteous

The righteous will share the glory of God in the new heaven and the new earth for eternity.⁶²

⁵¹ Acts 6:2b-4c; 13:2-4a; 14:23; Ephesians 4:8,11-13

⁵² 1 Corinthians 15:51-57; Philippians 3:20-21; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Titus 2:13

⁵³ Romans 14:10-12; 1 Corinthians 3:11-15; 2 Corinthians 5:9-10

⁵⁴ Matthew 24:15,21-22; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-3

⁵⁵ 2 Thessalonians 2:3-12; Revelation 13:11-18

⁵⁶ Matthew 24:27,30; Luke 17:24,26-30

⁵⁷ Revelation 16:12-16; 17:8,12-14; 19:11-20:3

⁵⁸ Psalm 2:6-12; Daniel 2:44-45; Luke 22:29-30; Revelation 3:21; 20:6

⁵⁹ Isaiah 1:24-27; 2:1-4; Zechariah 14:3,4,9; Romans 8:19-23; Revelation 22:3

⁶⁰ Daniel 7:9-10; John 12:48; Romans 2:2,6,11,16; Revelation 14:9-11; 20:11-15

⁶¹ Matthew 25:41b; Jude 6; Revelation 20:10,15; 21:8

⁶² Matthew 13:43; John 17:24; 2 Peter 3:13; Hebrews 11:10; Revelation 21:1-2,10,22-23

Linked Scripture References (NKJV)

Ref. 1

2 Tim 3:16-17

All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

Ref. 2

2 Peter 1:20-21

knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation, for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.

Ref. 3

Psalms 119:160a;

The entirety of Your word is truth

Matthew 5:17,18

"Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled."

Ref. 4

1 Cor. 2:12-14

Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God. These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual. But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

Ref. 5

Prov 30:5-6

Every word of God is pure; He is a shield to those who put their trust in Him. Do not add to His words, Lest He rebuke you, and you be found a liar.

Ref. 6

Matt 3:16-17

When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

Matt 28:19-20

Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit ...

2 Cor. 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Ref. 7

Gen 1:1

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

1 Cor. 15:28

Now when all things are made subject to Him, then the Son Himself will also be subject to Him who put all things under Him, that God may be all in all.

Linked Scripture References (NKJV)

Ref. 8 (Note – John 17 is too long for a hotlink but leave in the reference)

John 1:14

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 10:30

I and My Father are one.

Phil 2:5-8

... Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men.

Heb 1:8

But to the Son He says: "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; A sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of Your kingdom."

Ref. 9

Luke 1:26-35

Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And having come in, the angel said to her, "Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!" But when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and considered what manner of greeting this was. Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end." Then Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I do not know a man?" And the angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God.

Ref. 10

John 12:49

For I have not spoken on My own authority; but the Father who sent Me gave Me a command, what I should say and what I should speak.

Acts 2:22

"Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a Man attested by God to you by miracles, wonders, and signs which God did through Him in your midst, as you yourselves also know"

2 Cor. 5:21

For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

Heb 7:26

For such a High Priest was fitting for us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and has become higher than the heavens;

Ref. 11

Rom 5:6-8

Linked Scripture References (NKJV)

For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

1 Cor 15:3

For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures,

1 Peter 3:18

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit,

Ref. 12

Matt 28:6

He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

1 Cor. 15:4, 20

and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures ...But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

Ref. 13

Acts 1:9-11

Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel, who also said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven."

Acts 2:33

Therefore being exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this which you now see and hear.

Heb 8:1

Now this is the main point of the things we are saying: We have such a High Priest, who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens,

Ref. 14

Matt 25:31

When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory.

Ref. 15

Acts 5:3-4

But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and keep back part of the price of the land for yourself? While it remained, was it not your own? And after it was sold, was it not in your own control? Why have you conceived this thing in your heart? You have not lied to men but to God."

Ref. 16

Linked Scripture References (NKJV)

John 16:13-14

However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you.

Ref. 17

Gen 1:26-27

Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

Gen 2:7

And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.

Ref. 18

Rom 5:12

Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned

James 1:14-15

But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.

Ref. 19

Jer 17:9

The heart is deceitful above all things, And desperately wicked; Who can know it?

Rom 3:10-19

As it is written:

"There is none righteous, no, not one;

There is none who understands;

There is none who seeks after God.

They have all turned aside;

They have together become unprofitable;

There is none who does good, no, not one."

"Their throat is an open tomb;

With their tongues they have practiced deceit";

"The poison of asps is under their lips";

"Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness."

"Their feet are swift to shed blood;

Destruction and misery are in their ways;

And the way of peace they have not known."

"There is no fear of God before their eyes."

Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God.

Rom 3:23

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

Linked Scripture References (NKJV)

Ref. 20

Heb 7:26

For such a High Priest was fitting for us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and has become higher than the heavens;

Ref. 21

John 14:6

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

Acts 4:12

Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.

1 Tim 2:5-6

For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time,

Ref. 22

Isa 53:3-6

He is despised and rejected by men,
A Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief.
And we hid, as it were, our faces from Him;
He was despised, and we did not esteem Him.

Surely He has borne our griefs
And carried our sorrows;
Yet we esteemed Him stricken,
Smitten by God, and afflicted.

But He was wounded for our transgressions,
He was bruised for our iniquities;
The chastisement for our peace was upon Him,
And by His stripes we are healed.

All we like sheep have gone astray;
We have turned, every one, to his own way;
And the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

John 12:32-33

And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all peoples to Myself." This He said, signifying by what death He would die.

1 Peter 2:24

who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness — by whose stripes you were healed.

Ref. 23

Acts 2:36

"Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ."

Rom 4:25

Linked Scripture References (NKJV)

who was delivered up because of our offenses, and was raised because of our justification.

1 Cor 15:14,17

And if Christ is not risen, then our preaching is empty and your faith is also empty. ... And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins!

Heb 10:12

But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God,

1 John 2:2

And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.

Ref. 24

Acts 20:21

testifying to Jews, and also to Greeks, repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Peter 1:23,25

having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever, But the word of the Lord endures forever." Now this is the word which by the gospel was preached to you.

Ref. 25

Isa 53:4-5

Surely He has borne our griefs
And carried our sorrows;
Yet we esteemed Him stricken,
Smitten by God, and afflicted.

But He was wounded for our transgressions,
He was bruised for our iniquities;
The chastisement for our peace was upon Him,
And by His stripes we are healed.

Matt 8:16b-17

And He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were sick, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying:

"He Himself took our infirmities
And bore our sicknesses."

Ref. 26

Isa 55:7

Let the wicked forsake his way,
And the unrighteous man his thoughts;
Let him return to the Lord,
And He will have mercy on him;
And to our God,
For He will abundantly pardon.

Linked Scripture References (NKJV)

Acts 17:30

Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent,

Gal 3:22, 26

But the Scripture has confined all under sin, that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe. ... For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.

Eph 2:8

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God,

1 John 5:10-13

He who believes in the Son of God has the witness in himself; he who does not believe God has made Him a liar, because he has not believed the testimony that God has given of His Son. And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God.

Ref. 27

John 3:3,5,7

Jesus answered and said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.'

2 Cor 5:17-18b

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. Now all things are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ,

1 Peter 1:23

having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever,

Ref. 28

Rom 3:24

being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,

Rom 4:3-5

For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness." Now to him who works, the wages are not counted as grace but as debt. But to him who does not work but believes on Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is accounted for righteousness,

Rom 5:1-2

Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Ref. 29

2 Cor 6:14

Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness?

2 Cor 7:1

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Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

Ref. 30

John 17:17,19

Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth And for their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they also may be sanctified by the truth.

Heb 10:10,14

By that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.

Ref. 31

1 Thess 5:23

Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Tim 2:19-22

Nevertheless the solid foundation of God stands, having this seal: "The Lord knows those who are His," and, "Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity." But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay, some for honor and some for dishonor. Therefore if anyone cleanses himself from the latter, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified and useful for the Master, prepared for every good work. Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

1 Peter 1:14-16

... as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, as in your ignorance; but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy."

Ref. 32

Rom 6:11,13,14,18

Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord. ... And do not present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God. For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace. ... And having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness.

Ref. 33

1 Cor 13

Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not love, it profits me nothing.

Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

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Love never fails. But whether there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away.

When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known.

And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

Gal 5:22-23

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

2 Peter 1:3-4

as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue, by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

Ref. 34

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 2:1-2

My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.

Ref. 35

Matt 3:11

I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

Acts 1:5

" for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

Eph 5:18

And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit,

Ref. 36

John 16:13-15

However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you. All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and declare it to you.

Ref. 37

2 Cor 3:18

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But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Acts 1:8

But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Ref. 38

Luke 24:49

Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high."

Acts 1:4,8

And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," He said, "you have heard from Me; ... But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Ref. 39

Acts 2:1-4

When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Acts 2:9-17

Parthians and Medes and Elamites, those dwelling in Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya adjoining Cyrene, visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs — we hear them speaking in our own tongues the wonderful works of God." So they were all amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "Whatever could this mean?" Others mocking said, "They are full of new wine."

But Peter, standing up with the eleven, raised his voice and said to them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and heed my words. For these are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. But this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God,
That I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh;
Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
Your young men shall see visions,
Your old men shall dream dreams.

Acts 2:39

For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call.

1 Cor 14:18

I thank my God I speak with tongues more than you all;

Ref. 40

Acts 8:12-17

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But when they believed Philip as he preached the things concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, both men and women were baptized. Then Simon himself also believed; and when he was baptized he continued with Philip, and was amazed, seeing the miracles and signs which were done. Now when the apostles who were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, who, when they had come down, prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit. For as yet He had fallen upon none of them. They had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

Acts 10:44-46

While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who heard the word. And those of the circumcision who believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles also. For they heard them speak with tongues and magnify God.

Ref. 41

1 Cor 12:4-11

There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all. But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all: for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another different kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.

Ref. 42

1 Cor 12:7

But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all:

1 Cor 14:12

Even so you, since you are zealous for spiritual gifts, let it be for the edification of the church that you seek to excel.

1 Cor 14:24-25

But if all prophesy, and an unbeliever or an uninformed person comes in, he is convinced by all, he is convicted by all. And thus the secrets of his heart are revealed; and so, falling down on his face, he will worship God and report that God is truly among you.

Ref. 43

Matt 8:16-17

When evening had come, they brought to Him many who were demon-possessed. And He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were sick, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying:

"He Himself took our infirmities
And bore our sicknesses."

Ref. 44

1 Cor 12:28-30

And God has appointed these in the church: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, administrations, varieties of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Are all workers of miracles? Do all have gifts of healings? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret?

James 5:14

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Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord.

Ref. 45

1 Cor 12:13

For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body — whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free — and have all been made to drink into one Spirit.

Eph 5:25b

... just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her

Col 1:18

And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence.

1 Tim 3:15

but if I am delayed, I write so that you may know how you ought to conduct yourself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

Ref. 46

Acts 14:23

So when they had appointed elders in every church, and prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord in whom they had believed.

1 Cor 16:19

The churches of Asia greet you. Aquila and Priscilla greet you heartily in the Lord, with the church that is in their house.

Ref. 47

John 4:23

But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him.

Acts 20:7

Now on the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul, ready to depart the next day, spoke to them and continued his message until midnight.

Ref. 48

Acts 1:8

But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.

Acts 11:19-24

Now those who were scattered after the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to no one but the Jews only. But some of them were men from Cyprus and Cyrene, who, when they had come to Antioch, spoke to the Hellenists, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number believed and turned to the Lord.

Then news of these things came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent out Barnabas to go as far as Antioch. When he came and had seen the grace of God, he was glad, and encouraged them all that with

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purpose of heart they should continue with the Lord. For he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord.

2 Tim 2:2

And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.

1 Peter 5:2

Shepherd the flock of God which is among you, serving as overseers, not by compulsion but willingly, not for dishonest gain but eagerly;

Ref. 49

Matt 26:26-28

And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My body." Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins."

1 Cor 10:16-17

The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ? For we, though many, are one bread and one body; for we all partake of that one bread.

1 Cor 11:23-26

For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me." In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes."

Ref. 50

Matt 28:19

Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

Mark 16:15-16

And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned."

Acts 2:38,41

Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." ... Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added to them.

Acts 8:36-39

Now as they went down the road, they came to some water. And the eunuch said, "See, here is water. What hinders me from being baptized?" Then Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart, you may." And he answered and said, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God." So he commanded the chariot to stand still. And both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water, and he baptized him. Now when they came up out

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of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught Philip away, so that the eunuch saw him no more; and he went on his way rejoicing.

Rom 6:3-5

Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection,

Ref. 51

Acts 6:2b-4c

It is not desirable that we should leave the word of God and serve tables. Therefore, brethren, seek out from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business; but we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word.

Acts 13:2-4

As they ministered to the Lord and fasted, the Holy Spirit said, "Now separate to Me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." Then, having fasted and prayed, and laid hands on them, they sent them away. So, being sent out by the Holy Spirit, they went down to Seleucia, and from there they sailed to Cyprus.

Acts 14:23

So when they had appointed elders in every church, and prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord in whom they had believed.

Eph 4:8, 11-13

Therefore He says: "When He ascended on high, He led captivity captive, And gave gifts to men." And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ;

Ref. 52

1 Cor 15:51-57

Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed — in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." "O Death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?" The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Phil 3:20-21

For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body, according to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself.

1 Thess 4:13-18

But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus. For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until

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the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore comfort one another with these words.

Titus 2:13

... looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,

Ref. 53

Rom 14:10-12

But why do you judge your brother? Or why do you show contempt for your brother? For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. For it is written: "As I live, says the Lord, Every knee shall bow to Me, And every tongue shall confess to God." So then each of us shall give account of himself to God.

1 Cor 3:11-15

For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is. If anyone's work which he has built on it endures, he will receive a reward. If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire.

2 Cor 5:9-10

Therefore we make it our aim, whether present or absent, to be well pleasing to Him. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.

Ref. 54

Matt 24:15, 21-22

Therefore when you see the 'abomination of desolation,' spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place" (whoever reads, let him understand) ... For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be. And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect's sake those days will be shortened.

1 Thess 5:1-3

But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. For when they say, "Peace and safety!" then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape.

Ref. 55

2 Thess 2:3-12

Let no one deceive you by any means; for that Day will not come unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition, who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God. Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? And now you know what is restraining, that he may be revealed in his own time. For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only He who now restrains will do so until He is taken out of the way. And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord will consume with the breath of His mouth and destroy with the brightness of His coming. The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders, and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for

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this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie, that they all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

Rev 13:11-18

Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth, and he had two horns like a lamb and spoke like a dragon. And he exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence, and causes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed. He performs great signs, so that he even makes fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men. And he deceives those who dwell on the earth by those signs which he was granted to do in the sight of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who was wounded by the sword and lived. He was granted power to give breath to the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak and cause as many as would not worship the image of the beast to be killed. He causes all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hand or on their foreheads, and that no one may buy or sell except one who has the mark or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man: His number is 666.

Ref. 56

Matt 24:27,30

For as the lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. ... Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

Luke 17:24,26-30

For as the lightning that flashes out of one part under heaven shines to the other part under heaven, so also the Son of Man will be in His day. ... And as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be also in the days of the Son of Man: They ate, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all. Likewise as it was also in the days of Lot: They ate, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they built; but on the day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed them all. Even so will it be in the day when the Son of Man is revealed.

Ref. 57

Rev 16:12-16

Then the sixth angel poured out his bowl on the great river Euphrates, and its water was dried up, so that the way of the kings from the east might be prepared. And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs coming out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are spirits of demons, performing signs, which go out to the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty. "Behold, I am coming as a thief. Blessed is he who watches, and keeps his garments, lest he walk naked and they see his shame." And they gathered them together to the place called in Hebrew, Armageddon.

Rev 17:8,12-14

The beast that you saw was, and is not, and will ascend out of the bottomless pit and go to perdition. And those who dwell on the earth will marvel, whose names are not written in the Book of Life from the foundation of the world, when they see the beast that was, and is not, and yet is. ... "The ten horns which you saw are ten kings who have received no kingdom as yet, but they receive authority for one hour as kings with the beast. These are of one mind, and they will give their power and authority to the beast. These will make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, for He is Lord of lords and King of kings; and those who are with Him are called, chosen, and faithful."

Rev 19:11-20:3

Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many

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crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

Then I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in the midst of heaven, "Come and gather together for the supper of the great God, that you may eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, both small and great." And I saw the beast, the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army. Then the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet who worked signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image. These two were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone. And the rest were killed with the sword which proceeded from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse. And all the birds were filled with their flesh.

Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years; and he cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal on him, so that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years were finished. But after these things he must be released for a little while.

Ref. 58

Ps 2:6-12

Yet I have set My King

On My holy hill of Zion."

"I will declare the decree:

The Lord has said to Me,

'You are My Son,

Today I have begotten You.

Ask of Me, and I will give You

The nations for Your inheritance,

And the ends of the earth for Your possession.

You shall break them with a rod of iron;

You shall dash them to pieces like a potter's vessel."

Now therefore, be wise, O kings;

Be instructed, you judges of the earth.

Serve the Lord with fear,

And rejoice with trembling.

Kiss the Son, lest He be angry,

And you perish in the way,

When His wrath is kindled but a little.

Blessed are all those who put their trust in Him.

Dan 2:44-45

And in the days of these kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed; and the kingdom shall not be left to other people; it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever. Inasmuch as you saw that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it broke in pieces the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold — the great God has made known to the king what will come to pass after this. The dream is certain, and its interpretation is sure."

Luke 22:29-30

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And I bestow upon you a kingdom, just as My Father bestowed one upon Me, that you may eat and drink at My table in My kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Rev 3:21

To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.

Rev 20:6

Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.

Ref. 59

Isa 1:24-27

Therefore the Lord says,
The Lord of hosts, the Mighty One of Israel,
"Ah, I will rid Myself of My adversaries,
And take vengeance on My enemies.
I will turn My hand against you,
And thoroughly purge away your dross,
And take away all your alloy.
I will restore your judges as at the first,
And your counselors as at the beginning.
Afterward you shall be called the city of righteousness, the faithful city."
Zion shall be redeemed with justice,
And her penitents with righteousness.

Isa 2:1-4

The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

Now it shall come to pass in the latter days
That the mountain of the Lord's house
Shall be established on the top of the mountains,
And shall be exalted above the hills;
And all nations shall flow to it.
Many people shall come and say,
"Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
To the house of the God of Jacob;
He will teach us His ways,
And we shall walk in His paths."
For out of Zion shall go forth the law,
And the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.
He shall judge between the nations,
And rebuke many people;
They shall beat their swords into plowshares,
And their spears into pruning hooks;
Nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
Neither shall they learn war anymore.

Zech 14:3-4

Then the Lord will go forth

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And fight against those nations,
As He fights in the day of battle.
And in that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives,
Which faces Jerusalem on the east.
And the Mount of Olives shall be split in two,
From east to west,
Making a very large valley;
Half of the mountain shall move toward the north
And half of it toward the south.

Zech 14:9

And the Lord shall be King over all the earth.
In that day it shall be —
"The Lord is one,"
And His name one.

Rom 8:19-23

For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God. For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope; because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now. Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body.

Rev 22:3

And there shall be no more curse, but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and His servants shall serve Him.

Ref. 60

Dan 7:9-10

"I watched till thrones were put in place,
And the Ancient of Days was seated;
His garment was white as snow,
And the hair of His head was like pure wool.
His throne was a fiery flame,
Its wheels a burning fire;
A fiery stream issued
And came forth from before Him.
A thousand thousands ministered to Him;
Ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him.
The court was seated,
And the books were opened.

John 12:48

He who rejects Me, and does not receive My words, has that which judges him — the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day.

Rom 2:2,6,11,16

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But we know that the judgment of God is according to truth against those who practice such things. who "will render to each one according to his deeds. ... For there is no partiality with God. ... in the day when God will judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ, according to my gospel.

Rev 14:9-11

Then a third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, "If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives his mark on his forehead or on his hand, he himself shall also drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out full strength into the cup of His indignation. He shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb. And the smoke of their torment ascends forever and ever; and they have no rest day or night, who worship the beast and his image, and whoever receives the mark of his name."

Rev 20:11-15

Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books. The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works. Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

Ref. 61

Matt 25:41b

... 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels:

Jude 6

And the angels who did not keep their proper domain, but left their own abode, He has reserved in everlasting chains under darkness for the judgment of the great day;

Rev 20:10,15

The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever. ... And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

Rev 21:8

But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death.

Ref. 62

Matt 13:43

Then the righteous will shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears to hear, let him hear!

John 17:24

"Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be with Me where I am, that they may behold My glory which You have given Me; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world."

2 Peter 3:13

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Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.

Heb 11:10

... for he waited for the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

Rev 21:1-2,10,22-23

Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea. Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ... And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God, ... But I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light.