

The Church Expecting to be Caught Away in the Rapture

Revelation 1:1 through 1:20

It seems obvious Revelation Chapters 1 through 6:11 reveals post Christ Jesus resurrection days of years, or the season of the Church Age until the Church rapture. This total period of time is unknown to us now; except for the one thousand nine hundred and eighty seven (2020 A.D. – 33 A.D. = 1987) years (already passed) since the resurrection of Jesus, about 33 A.D.!

When we examine secular history events we see that it is not unusual for Church activities to interact, often, in agreement with “the World ways”!

However, this is not a time of tribulation from God, but tribulation because of iniquity; evils in the world lead of men, which are also influenced from Satan and his angels. The prophecy about issues that would confront the Church, until its’ rapture, is described by the Apostle John in his instructions from Jesus to the seven (7) Churches in Asia (Revelation 1:4 through 3:22).

John to the seven (7) churches which are in Asia: Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven (7) Spirits *(or Holy Spirit without measure)* which are before his throne;

And from Jesus Christ, *who is* the faithful witness, *and* the first (*Ist*) begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him *be* glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. *The saints, whom Jesus have made kings and priest unto God and his Father, are kings of the earth; as oppose to kings of the world, which shall pass away! Jesus is our savior, our master; just as He is of the earth and creation, forever.*

Revelation 1:4 through 1:6

Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they *also* which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

Revelation 1:7

I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty *(the question as to whether Jesus is God is declared here!)*.

Revelation 1:8

John was being held prisoner for preaching the word of God, and for the testimony he saw and declared about Jesus.

I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.

Revelation 1:9

A voice, clear and distinct as a trumpet speaks to John concerning the seven (7) churches of Asia.

I was in the Spirit (*or being lead of the Holy Spirit?*) on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet,
 Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first (*Ist*) and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send *it* unto the seven (7) churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.
 And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw seven (7) golden candlesticks (*which represent the seven (7) churches*);
 And in the midst of the seven (7) candlesticks *one* like unto the Son of man (*Jesus*), clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle. His head and *his* hairs *were* white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes *were* as a flame of fire;
 And his feet like unto fine (*or polished?*) brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters (*that roar?*).
 And he had in his right hand seven (7) stars (*angles of the seven (7) churches*): and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword (*word of truth, no falsehoods*): and his countenance *was* as the sun shineth (*pure and holy*) in his strength.
 And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; I am the first (*Ist*) and the last (*beginning and the end; nothing before me and nothing after me; even hell and death is subject to the LORD Jesus*): I *am* he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death (*or power over hell and death!*).
 Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter; (*John is to write about the past, the present, and the future*).
 Revelation 1:10 through 1:19

The seven (7) candlesticks and the seven (7) stars revealed:

The mystery of the seven (7) stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven (7) golden candlesticks. The seven (7) stars are the angels (*collective spirit of dedication to Jesus?*) of the seven (7) churches: and the seven (7) candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven (7) churches.

Revelation 1:20

Present Conditions as Touching the Church's Witness for All to See:

The primary mandate of the Church is to remain dedicated to Jesus, and to preach the Gospel to every creature, just as Christ Jesus commanded (Mark 16:15 through 16:20).

The LORD God knows the hearts of men; and that because the evil hearts of men remains in the world, the Kingdom of Heaven suffereth (or put up with) violence, that the mandate of spreading the Gospel shall be expedited (Matthew 11:12)! Thus, the mercy of God, because of Jesus, holds back execution of immediate judgment(s) upon such evils and violence from men as these: Murders (homicides, abortions, and every other pre-meditation of evils and violence).

The Roman Empire that crucified Jesus was eventually convinced of the Gospel, but continued dispatching violence also!

Other Nation States, through the centuries have done, and continued to follow in the foot steps of Rome! Daniel Chapters 2, 7, 8, 11, & 12 provides abundant and specific insight on ruling powers, and their evil\ violence; that such powers are beasts which rise up on the Planet!

Only when Jesus reigns for a thousand (1000) years shall the patterns of evil and violence be done away with!

It seems within a century of the Roman's destruction of Judah of Israel in seventy (70) A.D., the Catholics assumed the role of the "Truth Church". And even though they had much zeal for spreading the message of the Gospel, it has become obvious their messaging strayed from the fidelity of the true salvation teachings of Christ Jesus, and what He taught His Apostles\ disciples\ believers?

The children of Old Testament Ishmael having total contempt for their distant cousins, Israel of Isaac, took hold of a few tidbits of the Judeo – Christian Teachings to their corner of the Planet; rewrote it to their liking; then told their citizens, "This, the Quran is the real complete truth"! Then about six to seven hundred (600 - 700) A.D., the Islamic Mosque (Dome of the Rock) was raised where the Jewish Temple once stood in Jerusalem.

But the Quran, nor any other book, has ever told the whole story of humanity's condition(s) like that of the Judeo – Christian Bible!

As the centuries have changed since the resurrection of Jesus, so have the witness and many disputations of what is the real whole truth about the destination for peoples on the Planet. I am fully persuaded the rightly divided Judeo – Christian Texts provides the only true answers!

The various camps, even among themselves have disputed, and gone their separate paths. The Protestants departed from the Catholics; the Methodist departed from the Anglican, and so on, and so on, and so on! We see similar activities among every other persuasion of peoples practicing their method of seeking after God.

And so, I am reminded of one (myself) lost in the desert with a very small cache of water, and the thirst never being fully satisfied until coming to the hope that is in the Lord Jesus Christ alone, according to John 3:16 of the Judeo – Christian Bible Scriptures:

Joh 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son (Jesus), that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Surely, any superiorly informed individual do not believe all of this around us just came about without sentient design and purpose?

The resurrected Jesus instructs the Church today just as He did in Revelation 2:1 through 3:22, and He accomplishes what He does by workings of the Holy Spirit! He is seated at the right hand of the Father, just as He told the doubters in the days of His earthly ministry! Amen, and again I say Amen!

The Lord Jesus answered doubters of Him during His ministry days as described in our paragraph, "Jesus Answered Doubters" (See Definitions below):

Jesus' Instructions to the Church

Revelation 2:1 through 2:29

Jesus instructs the Church of Ephesus

Unto the angel of the church (*collective spirit of dedication for Jesus?*) of Ephesus write;

These things saith he that holdeth the seven (7) stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven (7) golden candlesticks;

I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear (*put up with?*) them which are evil: and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars:

Revelation 2:1 through 2:2

The Church at Ephesus is fallen from having Jesus as their first (1st) love, no doubt because of false teachers in their midst.

And hast borne, and hast patience, and for my name's sake hast laboured, and hast not fainted.

Nevertheless I have *somewhat* against thee, because thou hast left thy first (1st) love.

Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first (1st) works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent (*This would mean that the spirit (angel) over that church is no longer dedicated to Jesus, but some other spirit (angel) has taken over. Some leaders and Congregationalists have abandoned the true Gospel of the cross and (Holy Spirit?) of Jesus for some other spirit; in this case the spirit of the Nicolaitans*).

But this thou hast, that thou hatest the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the (*Holy*) Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

Revelation 2:3 through 2:7

Jesus instructs the Church in Smyrna

And unto the angel (*collective spirit of dedication for Jesus?*) of the church in Smyrna write; These things saith the first (1st) and the last, which was dead, and is alive;

Revelation 2:8

Do not be deceived of those pretending to be committed to God, but they really belong to Satan.

I know thy works, and tribulation, and poverty, (but thou art rich) and *I know* the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but *are* the synagogue of Satan (*Some of the members in this fellowship may indeed experience persecutions from those Jews influenced of Satan, which result in prison sentences, and even death. But Jesus encourages them to remain faithful to Him (the true angel; dedicated to the Gospel of the cross, and Holy Spirit), and he will give them a crown of life. He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second (2nd) death (Revelation 21:8). Your enemy*

can only kill the body; Jesus shall restore everything you lost, and even add more to you when He returns).

Revelation 2:9

Do not fear for your lives, but be faithful to Jesus unto death, and he will give you a crown of life.

Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast *some* of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten **(10)** days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the **(Holy)** Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second **(2nd)** death.

Revelation 2:10 through 2:11

Jesus instructs the Church in Pergamos

And to the angel *(collective spirit of dedication for Jesus?)* of the church in Pergamos write; These things saith he which hath the sharp sword with two **(2)** edges *(word of unbreakable truth?)*;

Revelation 2:12

Nothing is hid from Jesus; He even knows which of those among you are of Satan, because He knows where Satan dwells, and his behavior.

I know thy works, and where thou dwellest, *even* where Satan's seat *is*: and thou holdest fast my name, and hast not denied my faith, even in those days wherein Antipas *was* my faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth.

Revelation 2:13

There are idol worshippers among those of the Church in Pergamos

But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam *(a false god or idol worshipper of Numbers Chapter 22)*, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication *(idolatry?)*.

So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate ***(All members of this fellowship had not the dedicated Spirit for Jesus (and the Holy Spirit) and the true Gospel of the cross; but some leaders and Congregationalists apparently had not fallen away from the name of Jesus, and serving him. Those that have fallen (Nicolaitans) are seated with Satan; and Jesus is saying, I'm well aware of their deeds, and who they are).***

Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth.

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the **(Holy)** Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth *it*.

Revelation 2:14 through 2:17

Jesus instructs the Church in Thyatira

And unto the angel (*collective spirit of dedication for Jesus?*) of the church in Thyatira write; These things saith the Son of God, who hath his eyes like unto a flame of fire, and his feet *are* like fine brass;

I know thy works, and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy works; and the last *to be* more than the (*1st*) first.

Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel (*idol; false god worshipper*), which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication (*idolatry?*), and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.

And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not.

Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds (*A specific person in this fellowship has fallen, and have not the dedicated Spirit for Jesus (and the Holy Spirit) and the true Gospel of the cross; but another spirit that is of Jezebel, and is being permitted to teach and make converts, according to her error/ fornication/ idolatry*).

And I will kill her children (*or converts*) with death; and all the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works (*Good rewards are given to those for producing good works (or works approved of Jesus), but destruction is rewarded to those for producing evil works (or works not approved of Jesus)*).

But unto you I say, and unto the rest in Thyatira, as many as have not this doctrine (*doctrine of Jezebel*), and which have not known the depths of Satan, as they (*the spirit of Jezebel*) speak; I will put upon you none other burden.

But that which ye have (*that is of the Holy Spirit; dedicated Spirit for Jesus Christ and the true Gospel of the cross*) *already* hold fast till I come.

And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations:

And he shall rule them (*the nations*) with a rod of iron (*the un-bending, un-breakable Truth?*); as the vessels of a potter shall they (*the nations*) be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father.

And I will give him the morning star (*Holy Spirit; life without end?*).

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the (*Holy*) Spirit saith unto the churches.

Revelation 2:18 through 2:29

Jesus Continue His Instructions to the Church

Revelation 3:1 through 3:22

Jesus instructs the Church in Sardis

And unto the angel (*collective spirit of dedication for Jesus?*) of the church in Sardis write; These things saith he that hath the seven (*7*) Spirits (*or Holy Spirit without measure*) of God, and the seven (*7*) stars; I know thy works, that thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead (*The name of this fellowship has not been blotted out yet; but because there is very weak dedication of Spirit for the Lord Jesus Christ, and the true Gospel of the cross is no longer being promoted, their works (even*

though they may be useful works to someone else) are dead to their credit. Therefore, “thou livest and art dead”!).

Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die: for I have not found thy works perfect (*or, according to the true Gospel of the cross and dedicated Spirit for Christ Jesus?*) before God.

Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.

Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy. (*There still remain a few true saints of the Lord Jesus Christ at Sardis*).

He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit (*true angel of Jesus*) saith unto the churches.

Revelation 3:1 through 3:6

Jesus instructs the Church in Philadelphia

This Church reflects the “True Church of the Lord Jesus Christ” more than any of the other six (6) that Jesus addresses. The spirit (angel; collective spirit of dedication for Jesus?) and the true Gospel of the cross are strongest in this Church than any of the others in Asia because they have remained dedicated to keep the word of his patience. I believe the word of his patience is to continue doing, waiting, and looking for the return of Jesus; no matter what one is faced with.

And to the angel (*collective spirit of dedication for Jesus?*) of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David (*see “Thy Throne Forever” in “Definitions” section*), he that opened, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth;

I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name.

Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews (*or my people*), and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee.

Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth (*This speaks of the true Church of the Lord Jesus Christ, which shall be, “raptured” before tribulations resulting from the judgment of God upon the world*).

Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown (*Keep doing according to the true Gospel of the cross that no man take your crown*).

Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, *which is* new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and *I will write upon him* my new name.

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the (*Holy*) Spirit saith unto the churches.

Revelation 3:7 through 3:13

Jesus instructs the Church of the Laodiceans

And unto the angel (*collective spirit of dedication for Jesus?*) of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God;

I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.

So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth (*This fellowship as a Church is lost because it has learned to trust in worldly riches, instead of God. They have “straddled the fence,” and only go through the motions of being disciples of Jesus and living the Gospel. They have also lost their zeal for promoting the true Gospel of the cross, which is the angel (collective spirit of dedication?) to Lord Jesus Christ.*

Apparently this Church had no financial burdens, and as a result replaced the Spirit of Christ Jesus for the spirit of the world; some other angel which is not Christ. But Jesus appeal to individuals that remains part of this church. He says, “I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see ...).

Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:

I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and *that* the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.

As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the (***Holy***) Spirit saith unto the churches.

Revelation 3:14 through 3:22

Definitions

Thy Throne Forever – The eternal LORD and God of Creation made this promise of his eternal kingdom to King David. But New Testament Judeo – Christian Scriptures clearly explains that corruptible can not inherit incorruptible (*1 Corinthians 15:53 through 15:55*), because incorruptible is “*forever*”. Thus, the obvious and natural question arises; “how is this promise the LORD God gave corruptible David, possible”?

Throughout history no throne of man has continued more than a hand full of years, compared to all the time of recorded history; and the promise to David was for eternity! And so, the short answer to the question is, “*by love; grace; mercy; regeneration\ resurrection; inheritance; Kinsman Redemption; sacrifice; and ... other works of the Lord Jesus Christ (Son of God 100%; son, and progeny of King David, who is 100% man)*”!

The genealogy of the Lord Jesus Christ is given in the New Testament Book of Matthew Chapter 1(one). And we see that his genealogy traces through David, the Great King of Israel; the youngest son of Jesse, as is revealed in scriptures of Ruth Chapter 4, 1 Samuel Chapter 16, and 2 Samuel Chapter 7. Thus, the flesh and blood man Jesus, Messiah traces unto the man, Adam (no demonic hybrid, of any sorts was given, and can not claim, such a genealogy); and he, the man Adam was created of God in the image of God! Study again, Genesis 1:26 and 1:27 and John 10:1 through 10:18. Thus, the genealogy is proven, according to the Word of God; without sin or contamination of any sort!

But to see the complete (or full) answer of sacrificing, atoning and inheritance (of the LORD God; Jesus the Son, for his followers and believers) we must “diligently” study both, the Old and New Testament Judeo – Christian Bible Books; which is *the Words of God given to us that we may know Him and His plans for the human race; no other document(s) provide this! Do we not see in this how the LORD God of Creation leaves nothing to chance; and who else would you suppose could maintain such precise and factual records of the centuries?*

Gen 18:14 Is any thing too hard for the LORD? At the time appointed I will return unto thee, according to the time of life, and Sarah (at 90 years of age) shall have a son (Isaac).

Jer 32:17 Ah Lord GOD! behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm, and there is nothing too hard for thee:

Jer 32:27 Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh: is there any thing too hard for me?

Mat 19:26 But Jesus beheld them, and said unto them, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible.

Mar 9:23 Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth.

Mar 10:27 And Jesus looking upon them saith, With men it is impossible, but not with God: for with God all things are possible.

*Thus, the eternal LORD and God of Creation establish the final state of those **BELIEVERS** in Him to be eternally with God!*

Jesus Answered Doubters – Of all the people mentioned in the Judeo – Christian, Old Testament it is said that *Solomon* was wiser than them all! However, when we study the Judeo – Christian, New Testament Scriptures *the Lord Jesus Christ* declared Himself “*greater than Solomon*” in *Matthew 12:42*. Therefore, we surmise the Wisdom of *Solomon* came in second (2nd) place when compared with Wisdom from *Jesus; Messiah!*

And so, it is understandable when we say it seems *Solomon* did not have the full revelation of salvation’s message, because he concluded in *Ecclesiastes Chapter 3* that

“all is Vanity”! Now, while it might be true Solomon concluded this during a time of some stressful situation, I am persuaded the real reason is that the, ***“full revelation of the mystery of the salvation story”*** was not given, ***“and could not be fully understood”*** until the ministry of *Jesus*, by *Jesus*, ***since He is central; head of corner of salvation built by God, for the human race!***

The ***Lord Jesus*** filled in; fulfilled, and revealed final details from God of what we should expect in these times of the end of day ruled by men! Then He sacrificed Himself; arose from the dead; and ascended into heaven again, where He was from before the foundation of the world!

This is revealed for us today in the sacrificial salvation ***“Message of the Cross of Christ Jesus”; the Gospel:*** which no one had been given ***“all total revelation”*** of until *Messiah*; *Jesus* gave it during His three and one-half (3 ½) years of ministry (***Refer to His witness of Himself in Matthew Chapter 12:38 through 12:42:***

Mat 12:38 Then certain of the scribes and of the Pharisees answered, saying, Master, we would see a sign from thee (***to prove who you say you are?***).

Mat 12:39 But he (*Jesus*) answered and said unto them, **An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas (who was in the whale’s belly three (3) days and three (3) nights):**

Mat 12:40 For as Jonas was three (3) days and three (3) nights in the whale’s belly; so shall the Son of man be three (3) days and three (3) nights in the heart of the earth.

Mat 12:41 The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas ***is here.***

Mat 12:42 The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, **a greater than Solomon is here.**

(Vanity has been made of none effect, because life without end is made available to them that believe for forgiveness and redemption by the mercy of God, which is salvation in Christ Jesus our savior! See how Paul the Apostle explains it in 1 Corinthians Chapter 15.)

1 Corinthians Chapter 15

Paul describes in great detail what good things that are sure to come by Christ Jesus, and these great blessings are accessible to those that have faith in His death, burial, and resurrection for deliverance, salvation, and forgiveness of sin unto eternal life. See the Judeo – Christian Bible Books of Matthew; Mark; Luke; John. Look first at these specific scriptures: John 3:16, John 14:6, Romans 10:9, and 10:10!

Moreover, brethren, I (*Paul*) declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received (***or believed, and have faith in***), and wherein ye stand; By which also ye are saved (***from the wrath of God because of our sin***), if ye keep in memory (***or not forget/ give up/ turn away from your faith***) what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain (***or, if we abandon faith now of Christ Jesus; previous faith efforts become vain\ useless***).

For I delivered unto you first (*1st*) of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures;
 And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third (*3rd*) day according to the scriptures (*Old Testament Prophecy and New Testament witness of fulfilling; praise the LORD God*):
 And that he (*Jesus*) was seen of Cephas (*Peter*), then of the twelve (*12 apostles after His resurrection*):
 After that, he (*Jesus*) was seen of above five hundred (*500*) brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present (*day*), but some are fallen asleep (*or have died*).
 After that, he (*Jesus*) was seen of James (*the apostle*); then of all the apostles.
 And last of all he (*Jesus*) was seen of me (*Paul, on the Damascus Road*) also, as of one (*I, Paul*) born out of due time (*or after His ascension into heaven*).
 For I am the least of the apostles, that am not meet (*counted/ deserving*) to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.
 But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which *was bestowed* upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.
 Therefore whether *it were* I or they (*other followers of Christ Jesus that labored*), so we preach, and so ye believed (*that Jesus is raised from the dead for deliverance, salvation, forgiveness of sin unto eternal life to them that believe*).

1 Corinthians 15:1 through 15:11

What if some believe there is no resurrection of the dead?

Now if Christ be preached that he rose from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead (*is it not because of their unbelief*)?
 But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen:
 And if Christ be not risen, then *is* our preaching vain, and your faith *is* also vain.
 Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God; because we have testified of God (*to others*) that he (*God*) raised up Christ (*from the dead*): whom he raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not.
 For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised (*because He (Christ Jesus) certainly died*):
 And if Christ be not raised, your faith *is* vain; ye are yet in your sins.
 Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished (*like the dog?*).
 If in this life only we have hope in Christ (*, there is no hope of the next life*), we are of all men most miserable (*and all is vain as Solomon explained in Ecclesiastes Chapter 3:1 through 3:22*).

1 Corinthians 15:12 through 15:19

Our only labor required for eternal reward is that we walk in faith of Jesus resurrected from the dead for our deliverance unto life everlasting; John 3:16!

But now is Christ risen from the dead, *and* become the firstfruits (*or first born from the dead*) of them that slept (*die in faith of Him*).
 For since by man (*Adam*) *came* death, by man (*Jesus*) *came* also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die, *(but then)* even so in Christ *(Jesus)* shall all be made alive *(unto eternal life, if they believe)*.

But every man in his own order *(of living, believing, and then death)*: Christ *(Jesus)* the firstfruits *(of God born from the dead)*; afterward they that are Christ's *(or belong to Christ)* at his *second (2nd)* coming.

Then *cometh* the end *(as we have known in sinful flesh)*, when he *(Jesus)* shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he *(Jesus)* shall have put down all *(other)* rule and all *(other)* authority and power *(including the power and authority of sin and death)*.

For he *(Jesus)* must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet.

The last enemy *that* shall be destroyed *is* death.

For he *(Jesus)* hath put all things under his feet *(or, triumphed over them things)*. But when he saith all things are put under *him, it is* manifest that he is excepted *(or accepted\ approved of God the Father)*, which did put all things under him *(Jesus)*.

And when all things shall be subdued unto him *(Jesus)*, then shall the Son *(Jesus)* also himself be subject unto him *(God the Father)* that put all things under him *(Jesus, the Son)*, that God *(or, the God Head)* may be all in all.

Else *(or otherwise)* what shall they *(that believe)* do which are baptized for the dead, if the dead rise not at all? why are they then baptized for the dead?

And why stand we in jeopardy *(of death)* every hour?

I protest *(against death)* by *(or through)* your rejoicing which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, *(because)* I die daily.

If after the manner of men I have fought with beasts *(those that would not believe according to the Gospel of Jesus)* at Ephesus, what advantageth it me, if the dead rise not? *(then)*, let us eat and drink; for to morrow we die *(is all that anyone has to look forward to)*.

Be not deceived: evil *(and/ or wrong)* communications corrupt good manners *(or in this case, "hope of better days to come")*.

Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak *this* to your shame *(that do not believe God)*.

1 Corinthians 15:20 through 15:34

Paul the apostle describes resurrection for those that believes the resurrection of Jesus for deliverance, salvation, forgiveness of sin unto eternal life.

But some *(doubting and unbelieving)* will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come?

Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened *(made alive and new)*, except it die: And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain *(being swooned, old)*, it may chance *(or may be)* of wheat, or of some other *(grain, but the principle is the same)*

But God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body.

All flesh *is* not the same flesh: but *there is* one *kind of* flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, *and* another of birds.

There are also celestial *(heavenly)* bodies, and bodies terrestrial *(earthy)*: but the glory of the celestial *(heavenly)* *is* one, and the *glory* of the terrestrial *(earthy)* *is* another.

There is one glory (beauty/ magnificence/ brilliance) of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for one star differeth from another star in glory (brilliance).

So also *is* the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: It is sown a natural body (*or old grain*); it is raised a spiritual body (*eternal glory*). There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body.

And so it is written, The first (*1st*) man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam *was made* a quickening spirit (*or, given spiritual life eternally*).

Howbeit that *was* not first (*1st*) which is spiritual, but that which is natural (*carnal*); and afterward that which is spiritual.

The first (*1st*) man (*Adam*) *is* of the earth, earthy: the second (*2nd*) man *is* the Lord (*Jesus*) from heaven.

As *is* the earthy, such *are* they also that are earthy (*terrestrial or old grain*): and as *is* the heavenly, such *are* they also that are heavenly (*resurrected with spiritual life eternally*).

And as we (*that believe*) have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.

Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood (*carnal, or earthy*) cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.

Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep (*as to be dead in graves?*), but we shall all be changed (*which believe*),

In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead (*or those died in the past, believing for eternal life through Christ Jesus*) shall be raised incorruptible, and we (*that are naturally alive/ breathing at that moment*) shall be changed (*if we believe for resurrection in Christ Jesus*).

For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal *must* put on immortality.

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 (*Isaiah 25:8*).

O death, where *is* thy sting? O grave, where *is* thy victory?

The sting of death *is* sin; and the strength of sin *is* the law (*because of the weakness of the flesh to accomplish the law*) (*Romans 8:3*).

But thanks *be* to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ (*; the victory that is required of us according to law, which we could not achieve, except in Christ Jesus*).

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of (*faith in*) the Lord (Jesus Christ), forasmuch as ye know that your labour (*of faith*) is not in vain in the Lord (*Jesus Christ*).

1 Corinthians 15:35 through 15:58

And so vanity, as declared by Solomon results when an individual go to the grave having rejected, and\ or not truly received the gift of salvation in Christ Jesus, according to John 3:16:

Joh 3:14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up:

Joh 3:15 That whosoever **believeth** in him should not perish, but have eternal life.
Joh 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever **believeth** in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.
Joh 3:17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.
Joh 3:18 He that **believeth** on him is not condemned: but he that **believeth not** is condemned already, because he hath not **believed** in the name of the only begotten Son of God.
Joh 3:19 And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.
Joh 3:20 For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved.
Joh 3:21 But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.

John 3:14 through 3:21

Recall How Jesus Answered False Accusations; And the High Priest when they put Him on Trial:

False Witness is Given against Jesus

Witnesses against Jesus gave false testimonies that the Jewish Religious Authority could recommend Jesus worthy of death to their Roman Rulers!

Now the chief priests, and elders, and all the council, sought false witness against Jesus, to put him to death;

But found none: yea, though many false witnesses came, *yet* found they none (***to be true witnesses***). At the last came two (**2**) false witnesses,

And said, This *fellow* said, I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to build it in three (**3**) days.

And the high priest arose, and said unto him, Answerest thou nothing? what *is it which* these witness against thee?

But Jesus held his peace. And the high priest answered and said unto him, I adjure thee by the living God, that thou tell us whether thou be the Christ (***Messiah, or Anointed One***), the Son of God.

Jesus saith unto him, **Thou hast said (but you do not believe it): nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.**

Then the high priest rent his clothes, saying, He hath spoken blasphemy; what further need have we of witnesses? behold, now ye have heard his blasphemy.

What think ye? They answered and said, He is guilty of death.

Then did they spit in his face, and buffeted him; and others smote *him* with the palms of their hands,

Saying, Prophecy unto us, thou Christ, Who is he that smote thee? (***But we know the full reality is that the Father He gave to be; and He agreed of Himself to be sacrificed!***)

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