Exod. 18:13-27-13 It came about the next day that Moses sat to judge the people, and the people stood about Moses from the morning until the evening.<sup>14</sup> Now when Moses' father-in-law saw all that he was doing for the people, he said, "What is this thing that you are doing for the people? Why do you alone sit as judge and all the people stand about you from morning until evening?" <sup>15</sup> Moses said to his fatherin-law, "Because the people come to me to inquire of God. 16 When they have a dispute, it comes to me, and I judge between a man and his neighbor and make known the statutes of God and His laws." <sup>17</sup> Moses' father-in-law said to him, "The thing that you are doing is not good. <sup>18</sup> You will surely wear out, both yourself and these people who are with you, for the task is too heavy for you; you cannot do it alone. <sup>19</sup> Now listen to me: I will give you counsel, and God be with you. You be the people's representative before God, and you bring the disputes to God, 20 then teach them the statutes and the laws, and make known to them the way in which they are to walk and the work they are to do. <sup>21</sup> Furthermore, you shall select out of all the people able men who fear God, men of truth, those who hate dishonest gain; and you shall place these over them as leaders of thousands, of hundreds, of fifties and of tens. 22 Let them judge the people at all times; and let it be that every major dispute they will bring to you, but every minor dispute they themselves will judge. So it will be easier for you, and they will bear the burden with you. 23 If you do this thing and God so commands you, then you will be able to endure, and all these people also will go to their place in peace." <sup>24</sup> So Moses listened to his father-in-law and did all that he had said.<sup>25</sup> Moses chose able men out of all Israel and made them heads over the people, leaders of thousands, of hundreds, of fifties and of tens.<sup>26</sup> They judged the people at all times; the difficult dispute they would bring to Moses, but every minor dispute they themselves would judge.<sup>27</sup> Then Moses bade his father-in-law farewell, and he went his way into his own land.

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Acts 4:37-and who owned a tract of land, sold it and brought the money and <u>laid it at the apostles' feet</u>.

Heb. 11:6-And without **faith** it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must **believe** that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him.

Acts 5:3-But Peter said, "Ananias, why has <u>Satan filled your heart</u> to lie to the Holy Spirit and to keep back some of the price of the land?

Acts 2:10-Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the districts of Libya around Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and **proselytes**.

Matt. 23:15-Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites, because you travel around on sea and land to make one **proselyte**; and when he becomes one, you make him twice as much a son of hell as yourselves.

Rev. 2:6-Yet this you do have, that you hate the deeds of the **Nicolaitans**, which I also hate.

Rev. 2:15-So you also have some who in the same way hold the teaching of the **Nicolaitans**.

<u>6</u>

Num. 27:22-23-<sup>22</sup> Moses did just as the Lord commanded him; and he took Joshua and set him before Eleazar the priest and before all

the congregation. <sup>23</sup> Then he <u>laid his hands on him</u> and commissioned him, just as the Lord had spoken through Moses.

1 Tim. 4:14-Do not neglect the spiritual gift within you, which was bestowed on you through prophetic utterance with the <u>laying on of hands</u> by the presbytery.

1 Tim. 5:22-Do not <u>lay hands</u> upon anyone too hastily and thereby share responsibility for the sins of others; keep yourself free from sin.

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Isa. 55:10-11-<sup>10</sup> For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, And do not return there without watering the earth And making it bear and sprout, And furnishing seed to the sower and bread to the eater; <sup>11</sup> So will My word be which goes forth from My mouth; <u>It will not return to Me empty</u>, Without accomplishing what I desire, And without succeeding in the matter for which I sent it.

Jer. 23:29-"Is not My **word like fire**?" declares the Lord, "and like a **hammer** which shatters a rock?"

Heb. 4:12-For the **word** of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

2 Tim. 4:2-preach the **word**; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with great patience and instruction.

Rom. 10:17-So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the **word** of Christ.

2 Tim. 3:15-and that from childhood you have known the <u>sacred</u> <u>writings</u> which are able to give you the <u>wisdom that leads</u> <u>to salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus</u>.

1 Pet. 1:23-for you have been **born again** not of seed which is perishable but imperishable, that is, through the living and enduring **word** of God.

Luke 16:28-31-<sup>28</sup> for I have five brothers—in order that he may warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.' <sup>29</sup> But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.' <sup>30</sup> But he said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent!' <sup>31</sup> But he said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be persuaded even if someone rises from the dead.'"

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Mark 13:11-When they arrest you and hand you over, do not worry beforehand about what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour; for it is not you who speak, but it is the **Holy Spirit**.

Matt. 22:46-No one was able to answer Him a word, nor did anyone dare from that day on to ask Him another question.

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Matt. 26:60-61-<sup>60</sup> They did not find any, even though many false witnesses came forward. But later on two came forward, <sup>61</sup> and said, "This man stated, 'I am able to <u>destroy the temple</u> of God and to rebuild it in three days."

Matt. 5:17-Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill.