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Acts 3:1-8- Now Peter and John were going up to the temple at the ninth hour, the hour of prayer. ² And **a man who had been lame from his mother's womb** was being carried along, whom they used to set down every day at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, in order to beg alms of those who were entering the temple. ³ When he saw Peter and John about to go into the temple, he *began* asking to receive alms.⁴ But Peter, along with John, fixed his gaze on him and said, "Look at us!" ⁵ And he *began* to give them his attention, expecting to receive something from them. ⁶ But Peter said, "I do not possess silver and gold, but what I do have I give to you: In the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene—walk!" ⁷ And seizing him by the right hand, he raised him up; and immediately his feet and his ankles were strengthened. ⁸ With a leap he stood upright and *began* to walk; and he entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God.

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2 Cor. 12:12-The **signs of a true apostle** were performed among you with all perseverance, by signs and wonders and miracles.

Mark 6:5-6-⁵ And He could do no miracle there except that He laid His hands on a few sick people and healed them. ⁶ And He wondered at their **unbelief**.

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Dan. 7:12-As for the rest of the beasts, their dominion was taken away, but **an extension of life was granted to them** for an appointed period of time.

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The same can be said with respect to the word “apostles.” Although this word is sometimes used in the technical sense in reference to Christ’s original apostles (Acts 1:21-22; Eph 2:20), the New Testament also uses the word in a non-technical sense conveying the meaning “sent one” or a common missionary (Acts 14:4, 14; 2 Cor 8:23; Rom 16:7; Phil 2:25).

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Jas. 5:17-Elijah was a man with a **nature like ours**, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the earth for three years and six months.

1 John 5:21-Little children, **guard yourselves from idols**.

Rev. 22:8-9-⁸ I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I heard and saw, I fell down to **worship** at the feet of

the angel who showed me these things. ⁹ But he said to me, “Do not do that. I am a fellow servant of yours and of your brethren the prophets and of those who heed the words of this book. Worship God.”

Matt. 4:10-Then Jesus said to him, “Go, Satan! For it is written, **‘You shall worship the Lord your God, and serve Him only.’**”

Isa. 42:8-I am the Lord, that is My name; **I will not give My glory to another**, Nor My praise to graven images.

2 Kings 17:15-They rejected His statutes and His covenant which He made with their fathers and His warnings with which He warned them. And they followed **vanity** and became **vain**, and *went* after the nations which surrounded them, concerning which the Lord had commanded them not to do like them.

Ps. 31:6-I hate those who regard **vain** idols, But I trust in the Lord.

Isa. 44:9-10-⁹ Those who fashion a graven image are all of them **futile**, and their precious things are of no profit; even their own witnesses fail to see or know, so that they will be put to shame. ¹⁰ Who has fashioned a god or cast an idol to no profit?

Jer. 10:8-But they are altogether **stupid and foolish**, *in their* discipline of delusion—their idol is wood!

Jer. 18:15-For My people have forgotten Me, they burn incense to **worthless** gods and they have stumbled from their ways, From the ancient paths, to walk in bypaths, not on a highway

Isa. 46:1-4-Bel has bowed down, Nebo stoops over; Their images are *consigned* to the beasts and the cattle. **The things that you carry are burdensome**, A load for the weary *beast*. ²They stooped over, they have bowed down together; They could not rescue the burden but have themselves gone into captivity. ³“Listen to Me, O house of Jacob, And all the remnant of the house of Israel, You who have been borne by Me from birth And have been carried from the womb; ⁴Even to *your* old age I will be the same, **And even to your graying years I will bear you!** I have done *it*, and I will carry *you*; And I will bear *you* and I will deliver *you*.

Heb. 10:31-It is a terrifying thing to fall into the hands of the **living God**.

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Rom. 1:24-32-²⁴Therefore **God gave them over** in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, so that their bodies would be dishonored among them. ²⁵For they exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen. ²⁶For this reason **God gave them over** to degrading passions; for their women exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural,²⁷ and in the same way also the men abandoned the natural function of the woman and burned in their desire toward one another, men with men committing indecent acts and receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their error. ²⁸And just as they did not see fit to acknowledge God any longer, **God gave them over** to a depraved mind, to do those things which are not proper, ²⁹being filled with all unrighteousness, wickedness, greed, evil; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, malice; *they are* gossips,³⁰ slanderers, haters of

God, insolent, arrogant, boastful, inventors of evil, disobedient to parents, ³¹ without understanding, untrustworthy, unloving, unmerciful; ³² and although they know the ordinance of God, that those who practice such things are worthy of death, they not only do the same, but also give hearty approval to those who practice them.

1 Pet. 3:20—who once were disobedient, when **the patience of God kept waiting** in the days of Noah, during the construction of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through the water.

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Matt. 5:45—so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven; for **He causes His sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous.**

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Acts 12:20-23-²⁰ Now he was very angry with the people of Tyre and Sidon; and with one accord they came to him, and having won over Blastus the king's chamberlain, they were asking for peace, because their country was fed by the king's country. ²¹ On an appointed day Herod, having put on his royal apparel, took his seat on the rostrum and began delivering an address to them. ²² The people kept crying out, "The voice of a god and not of a man!" ²³ And immediately an angel of the Lord struck him because **he did not give God the glory**, and he was eaten by worms and died.

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Gal. 6:17-From now on let no one cause trouble for me, for I bear on my **body** the brand-**marks** of Jesus.

2 Cor. 11:25-Three times I was beaten with rods, once I was **stoned**, three times I was shipwrecked, a night and a day I have spent in the deep.

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Gal. 5:22-23-²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, **patience**, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

Prov. 24:16-For **a righteous man falls seven times, and rises again**, But the wicked stumble in time of calamity.

Acts 16:1-Paul came also to Derbe and to **Lystra**. And a disciple was there, named **Timothy**, the son of a Jewish woman who was a believer, but his father was a Greek.

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Matt. 28:18-20-¹⁸ And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make **disciples** of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and

the Holy Spirit,²⁰ teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.

2 Tim. 1:7-For God has not given us a spirit of **timidity**, but of power and love and discipline.

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Most of the New Testament references to the kingdom inarguably describe the kingdom as a future reality rather than depict it as a present reality (Matt. 6:10; 20:20–21; 26:29; Luke 23:42; Acts 14:22; 1 Cor. 6:9–10; 15:24, 50; Gal. 5:21; Eph. 5:5; Col. 4:11; 1 Thess. 2:12; 2 Thess. 1:5; 2 Tim. 4:1, 18; Jas. 2:5; 2 Peter 1:11; Rev. 5:10).

1 Cor. 14:3-But one who **prophesies** speaks to men for **edification and exhortation and consolation**.

John 16:33-These things I have spoken to you, so that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have **tribulation**, but take courage; I have overcome the world.

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Acts 20:17-From Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called to him the **elders** of the church.

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

1 Tim. 4:14 (NKJV)-Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the **eldership**.

1 Tim. 5:17-The **elders** who rule well are to be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who work hard at preaching and teaching.

1 Tim. 5:19-Do not receive an accusation against an **elder** except on the basis of two or three witnesses.

Titus 1:5-For this reason I left you in Crete, that you would set in order what remains and appoint **elders** in every city as I directed you.

1 Peter 5:1-4-Therefore, I exhort the **elders** among you, as *your* fellow elder and witness of the sufferings of Christ, and a partaker also of the glory that is to be revealed, ² shepherd the flock of God among you, exercising oversight not under compulsion, but voluntarily, according to *the will of* God; and not for sordid gain, but with eagerness; ³ nor yet as lording it over those allotted to your charge, but proving to be examples to the flock. ⁴ And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory.

Acts 20:28-Be on guard for yourselves and for all the flock, among **which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers**, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.

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Acts 13:1-3-Now there were at Antioch, in the church that was there, prophets and teachers: Barnabas, and Simeon who was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul. ² While they were ministering to the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, “Set apart for Me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.” ³ Then, when they had fasted and prayed and laid their hands on them, they sent them away.

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1 Cor. 16:9-for a wide **door** for effective service has opened to me, and there are many adversaries.

2 Cor. 2:12-Now when I came to Troas for the gospel of Christ and when a **door** was opened for me in the Lord

Col. 4:3-praying at the same time for us as well, that God will open up to us a **door** for the word, so that we may speak forth the mystery of Christ, for which I have also been imprisoned.

Rev. 3:7-8-⁷“And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write: He who is holy, who is true, who has the key of David, who opens and no one will shut, and who shuts and no one opens, says this: ⁸‘I know your deeds. Behold, I have put before you an open **door** which no one can shut, because you have a little power, and have kept My word, and have not denied My name.