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Rom. 1:16-For I am not ashamed of the **gospel**, for it is the **power** of God for salvation to everyone who **believes**, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

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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 11:30-And this they did, sending it in charge of Barnabas and Saul to the **elders**.

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.

Acts 13:2-3-²While 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.

Luke 16:12-13-¹²It was at this time that He went off to the mountain to pray, and He spent the **whole night in prayer** to God.¹³ And when day came, He called His disciples to Him and **chose** twelve of them, whom He also named as apostles.

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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.