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Holy Is the Way

My soul has been embraced by the loving spirit of God.
My mind has been shown the meaning of the ages.
My body is dedicated to the mission of Christ.
For in Christ shall come the Glorious Kingdom.

In Christ we will overcome the grips of evil.
In Christ we will push back the darkness.
In Christ we will be one body,
One body as the family of God.

Our spirits are united through the spirit of God.
Our dreams are on the return of our Lord.
Our deeds are for the perfect way,
The way of the Father written across the heavens and the earth.

We are flawed instruments in the hands of the master,
But in the hands of the master we will fulfill great plans.

We are pieces of marble once cast aside.
Yet on the pedestal of the sculptor we will be flowers in Heaven.

I shall endeavor to love our Lord to and beyond the end of days.
I shall endeavor to love all people through the greatest of
tribulations.
I shall love, I shall pray about love, and I shall accept love.

I shall present the words of the Holy Bible

1. Light upon the World

Christ is the beacon in the darkness;
The darkness has engulfed the world.

The world cannot see this darkness,
For it has drifted far from the brilliance of God.

When all we experience is the selfishness of others,
We might lose sensitivity to the divide across human hearts.

When all we feel is fear in us and around us,
We might stop caring about the emptiness in the human spirit.

When all we know is prevailing ignorance,
We might abandon awareness of the separation between man and God.

I will let the teachings of Jesus lift me from ignorance.
I will let the Holy Spirit wipe away my fears.
I will let the Body of Christ shield me from selfishness.
Then the darkness I must oppose will be clear.

I follow the beacon to the Glorious Kingdom.
My voice stretches across the darkness to those yet trapped.
My prayers are left to those who will not come.
My strength can carry those too weary to move.
Lord please expand my voice, hear my prayers, and grant me strength.

1.1 The Bond of Love

There is no deeper love between people than the intended love between a man and a woman.

The physical, mental, and spiritual commitment of this love is so great that only a one to one bond should exist in this world.

Our capacity for this bond of love has grown through the ages,
And thus we are guided to marry the one we love.

With our capacity for spousal love comes freedom,
Freedom to desire love and freedom to dream and hope,
Freedom to seek our most compatible companions,
Freedom to take love to the heights of human spiritual relations,
Freedom to reject the offer of others,
Freedom to ignore the potential for loves bond,
Freedom to deny such bonds in physical relations,
Freedom to break such bonds once spiritual relations have formed.
These freedoms in darkness becomes hard testing.
This hard testing makes the bonds of our modern world ever so precious.

Some are led away from the testing of spousal love by faith,
But this faith must be strong enough to nourish the spirit through
God's love.

Some are blocked from the testing of spousal love by destiny.
Only by understanding our destiny through Christ, can we fill the
emptiness and yearning for love.

Some are ripped from the testing of spousal love by betrayal.
The deepest love can end by our failures, and the deepest love can
also end by the failures of others.

There is no true hurt greater than the breaking of love's bond.
Such hurt can damage the spirit, causing the spirit to reject all bonds.
Such hurt can damage the mind, causing the mind to distrust all love.
Such hurt can damage the body, causing us to lose the will for life.
This is the meaning of the sin in adultery.

There is no tragedy greater than the denial of love's potential.
Such denial can trap the spirit in selfishness and isolation.
Such denial can cause the mind to hate and deceive.
Such denial can lead the body to abuse self and others.
This is the meaning of sin in sexual immorality.

Therefore, I will sincerely seek true love's bond and not deny that potential by my actions, thoughts, and hopes.
I will not attack love's potential by faking love in action for temporary physical, mental, and even spiritual gratification.
I will not disrespect love's potential by denying love in lustful thoughts of others.
I will not give up on love's potential because of hurt, distrust, and disbelief.

I believe in love, even when that bond of love has not been found.
I believe in love, even when love is only destined for others.
I believe in love, even when I have lost love to betrayal and abuse.

When I am in a relationship where the bond of love can grow,
I will not attack the bond of love by actions stirred from selfishness, anger, and hate.
I will not disrespect the bond of love by dreaming and wishing for better or more selfishly gratifying relationships.
I will not give up on the bond of love even when the intensity of love can no longer be felt.

I respect love as my bond and as the bond between others.

I respect love as the force that can unite the spirits of husband and wife.

I respect love as a commandment of our Lord.

Love will have failures and heartaches, but we Christians must not abandon its bonds.

If we can abandon our spouse or cause others to abandon theirs,
Then how easily will it be for us to abandon our bonds with the Lord.

1.2 The Endurance of Love

Parents and children are physically, mentally, and spiritually growing apart the moment each child is born.

However, the love of a parent should not diminish, but grow with each child.

Each child should then try to return that love,

Even as he or she moves away, forms different views, and gains unique spiritual qualities.

This love under the forces of separation strengthens our total ability to love.

Thus, this love must endure so that all love can endure.

In the darkness of this world, the forms of separation can be hard testing.

A parent and child can be spiritually separated by the betrayal of the parent.

The selfishness of a parent can sacrifice a child's best interest for his or her own.

The anger of a parent can lead to intended or unintended abuse of a child.

The hatred in a parent can be passed on to create hatred in the child.

The shame and insecurity in a parent can hide the spiritual warmth of the parent from the child.

The fear of a parent can block the parent from acting in love.

How can love endure in this separation?

A parent and child can be spiritually separated by the immaturity of the child.

The selfishness of a child can exploit the giving and sacrificing heart of the parent.

The anger of a child can place blame on the parent for personal failures and inadequacies.

The hatred in a child can blind the child to the parent's love.

The shame and insecurity in a child can hide the spiritual need of the child from the parent.

The fear of a child can block him or her from accepting parental love.

How can love endure in this separation?

A parent and child can be mentally separated by intellect and opinion.

A child can surpass or under achieve the knowledge of the parent.

A child can surpass or under achieve the brilliance of the parent.

A child can disagree with the understanding of the parent.

A child can disagree with the decisive acts of the parent.

Love can endure in this separation.

A parent and child can be physically separated by distance, illness, or death.

A parent can leave the child for the interest of the family.

A child can leave home and travel far away.

A parent could one day fall ill, too ill to respond to the child.

A child could unexpectedly fall ill, too ill to respond to the parent.

A parent will eventually die, leaving the child to face the world.

A child could tragically die, leaving the parent to grieve.

Love must endure in this separation.

I understand how the world seeks to pull spirits apart,

And I will use love as the instrument to mend spiritual damages.

My love comes from the Holy Spirit.

My love can triumph over selfishness.

My love can triumph over anger.

My love can triumph over hatred.

My love can triumph over shame.

My love can triumph over fear.

I understand how the growth of spirits can pull apart thoughts and opinions,

And I will use love to bridge the divide.

My love comes from the Holy Spirit.

My love can bridge the divide of knowledge.

My love can bridge the divide of intellect.
My love can overcome gaps in understanding.
My love can forgive choices in actions.

I understand how bodies can be separated and life can painfully end,
But I will still love for love endures.
My love comes from the Holy Spirit.
My love can stretch across the world.
My love can comfort during separation.
My love can reach into sleeping spirits.
My love can endure the divide of death.

As parents and children will be physically separated by death,
All loved ones will be divided by death.
But love can endure not as a spiritual trap but as a reflection of the
love in Heaven.

In the endurance of love, there are shall be no sadness, no hurt, and
no anger.
For, love endures so that our spirits can understand love's quality.
Love for one endures to train our total love for all to endure.

1.3 The Prevalence of Love

Friends and family exist to help us spread our love.

Our family is as large as we prefer and as far as we wish to trace our bloodlines.

Our friends can be anyone to whom we extend our love and will accept our love.

In a world where evil corrupts the hearts of men, family members have fought with family members and friends have betrayed friends.

The distrust of people to whom we could easily extend our love has caused recognized families to shrink and lists of friends to diminish. Yet, we cannot abandon the potential of how love can spread.

Family members could compete with us for position.

Family members could plot against us for inheritance.

Family members could reject us when they see no benefits.

Family members could look down upon us as shame to the family.

Family members could ignore us when we need help.

Family members could exploit us for resources.

Family members could leverage us for unpleasant deeds.

Family members could harm us simply because we are near.

But, the blood between us still creates the opportunity for forgiveness and love.

Potential friends could laugh and look down at us.

Potential friends could reject us as unfit.

Potential friends could ignore us as having no benefits.

Potential friends could plot against us in competition.

Potential friends could use us for personal advancement.

Potential friends could abandon us for better options.

Potential friends could become jealous of our looks, capabilities, possessions, and success.

Potential friends could hate us for our background, actions, and beliefs.

But, the relationships between us and them still create the opportunity for forgiveness and love.

However we know someone, love could prevail and love could spread.

We could get hurt, but our love can still change others.

Our willingness to help others will leave us at risk.

Our willingness to trust others will leave us vulnerable.

Yet if we love,

People related to us could start to treat us as family.

People who know us could start to embrace us as friends.

I will pray for the strength to love.

I will pray for my love to be understood.

I will pray for my broader family to become closer.

I will pray for my friends to become many.

1.4 The Openness of Love

We are trained to love so that we can offer love to all.

Our bonds of love teach us how to grow love between people and believe in love.

Our endurance of love teaches us how to keep loving as the world seeks to pull love apart.

Our extending of love teaches us how to push back against the world that isolates people from one another and God.

For, God commanded us to love as the Glorious Kingdom is built on love.

Love in the face of darkness, love against the corruption of evil, love for the family of Heaven.

The constraints between spouses will dissolve.

The dependencies between parents and children will disappear.

The relationships between friends will transform.

But all the love will remain.

This love, which will be carried across the Holy Spirit, will unite the family of God.

This love must therefore be open to all people.

This love must be open to all the orphans in need.

This love must be open to all the children in pain.

This love must be open to all the women in trouble.

This love must be open to all the men in burdens.

This love must be open to all the elderly facing death.

This love must be open to all the lonely, broken, depressed, displaced, and disillusioned people of this world.

And, this love must be open to the selfish, angry, hateful, disrespectful, confused, and fearful people of this world.

We must not confuse the openness of love with our limitations to express love.

The people of this world will not always accept.

The financial, time, and geographic constraints of this world might not let us express love to all.

However, there is nothing stopping us from spiritually loving all and physically acting based on that love as we can.

There is no shame in expressing more love to family and friends than others.

There is no crime in loving oneself first as God's special creation.

But without love for all, any love could turn into selfishness.

For the definition of selfishness is the denial of all.

A family can love and be selfish to non-family members given all the threats and temptations of the world.

A group of friends can love and be selfish to non-friends given how the group has been defined from the world.

A parent can love and be selfish to other people's children when that selfishness can reward his or her own child.

We can all love ourselves and forget that it is our love for others that define our spirits.

Opening our hearts to the world may seem impossible given how dark the world has become.

But, our hearts can be ruled by God if we gave them to God.

As instruments of God, we can love all and give all the chance to love in response.

1.5 The Power of Love

We are created through love and through love by God we are saved.

This salvation comes by us being willing to accept God's love through faith.

But faith must be on the true nature of God, which is creation through love and completion through love.

Therefore, if we cannot love then we cannot have faith in God.

If our belief is in a merciless and cruel God who demands our fear,
Then how hard would it be for us to truly love God and for the loving God to extend His grace into us?

If our belief is in a God who controls us like mindless puppets,
Then why would the loving God want to give us the free will to love and accept His love?

Our love alone is not nearly strong enough to wipe away the corruption of evil that separates us from God.
Thus, we cannot earn our salvation.

But our love and freewill are what make our spirits in the image of God,
And our faith comes from that spiritual quality.
This kind of faith and love is what the Word has brought to us.
This kind of faith and love is what permits the Holy Spirit to unite us with God and one another.
This kind of faith and love in us is what God has seen since the dawn of creation.
This kind of faith and love in us is what has placed our names in the Book of Life.

God's creation has always centered on saving all in the Book of Life based on love,
And many must be surrendered to the darkness so that the few precious can be saved.
This is the tragic cost of the Glorious Kingdom,

A cost created by people who refuse to love and refuse to spiritually awaken.

Therefore, I must choose to love God so that I can have faith in God's grace for me.

I must choose to love God, because God is the embodiment of love.
I must choose to love God, because God created me to love.

Therefore, I must choose to love other people so that I will not separate myself from the family of God in Heaven.

I must choose to love other people, because others in Heaven will love me.

I must choose to love other people, because all the Book of Life are meant to be one.

Love does not have to be perfect,

But my initial willingness to love has to be enough for the Word to teach me how to love.

Love does not have to yield great deeds,

But my attempt at love has to affirm my willingness to love.

Love does not have to succeed with people,

But my offer of love must be sincere.

Love's power is that it is the oneness of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Love's power is that it is the unity of humanity as the precious tree grown to be with the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit.

1.6 The Glory of Love

The world has drifted into darkness, and the people are becoming too spiritually separated to love.

We see people around us every day, but they are all strangers to us. We see family and friends at gatherings, but we do not trust them enough to reveal ourselves.

We see our own children and spouses, but we are too tired and weighted down by worldly troubles to care.

We become selfish because we live in darkness.

I believe in the light of the Word and the love of God.

I believe that all people are created with the capacity for love.

I believe that we must be trained to fight off the darkness.

I believe that the ember of love still lives in some of us.

The Word can turn any ember of love into spiritual life.

The Word can join the living spirit with the Holy Spirit of God.

The Word can teach the empowered spirit to express love.

The Word can teach the loving spirit to serve the will of God.

Love can form bonds in the darkness of the world.

Love can endure in the darkness of the world.

Love can spread in the darkness of the world.

Love can be open to all in the darkness of the world.

Brothers and sisters, have the courage to love and face the challenges of love.

If the love of spouses diminishes, sacrifice to fight for that love back.

If the love of spouses is betrayed, do not give up on the future hope for love.

If the love from children diminishes, forgive, understand, and love them harder.

If a parent betrays love, do not give up on love that can come elsewhere.

If the love of family and friends cannot be found, do not lose hope on the possibility of love.

If your love offered to the world is rejected, do not abandon the offer as God has not abandoned us.

Christians, our expression of love for God must include an expression of love for people.

We must restore love in the Body Christ and fight off selfishness.

We must help mend the bonds between husbands and wives.

We must help resolve misunderstanding between parents and children.

We must offer friendship to one another, and we must treat our Christian friends as true brothers and sisters.

If we can transform the Body of Christ into a beacon of love,

That beacon will defeat the armies of Satan that has been fighting against Christians since the gift of Christ.

That beacon will push back the darkness, which only exists because of the vulnerable hearts of men.

Christ is our Lord and we are His army.

Together we shall be victorious in love.

In love shall come the Glorious Kingdom.

1.7 Hope in the Face of Failure

The only true failure in life is to end-up in darkness at death.
Therefore, proclaimed Christians can only fail if they do not love God and one another enough for the Holy Spirit to enter and remain.
Proclaimed Christians can cry out the name of God, but have no faith and love.

Proclaimed Christians can act according to the instructions of the Holy Bible, but have no understanding.

When the Word in full cannot awaken the spirit, then there is no hope.

The world, however, judges us by different standards.
We are welcomed and followed because we have power.
We are envied and catered to because we have wealth.
We are admired and pursued because we have fame.
We are adored and desired because we have physical beauty.

If we fail to achieve these standards, the world will treat us cruelly.
How often have the powerless, poor, unknown, and unattractive been shunned, ridiculed, exploited, and abused?

Even within our churches, we must ask how are deeply faithful disciples without the charisma to praise, popularity to lead, and wealth to give being treated despite Jesus' teachings?
What if the loneliest Christian is the truest servant of God?

The standards of the world are not inherently wrong,
But they can be very wrong in darkness.
Power, wealth, fame, and beauty can be gifts from God for great purposes, but they are always hard testing.

Power can be used to protect the weak and helpless,

But the abuse or misuse of power, even to fight for good, will occur for all who do not exactly understand God's will.

Wealth can be used to reduce suffering and further the spreading of the gospel,

But the waste of wealth, even through charities, will occur for all who do not exactly understand God's will.

Fame can be used to testify to the glory of God,

But the corruption and loneliness of fame, even for Christian leaders, will occur for all who do not exactly understand God's will.

Physical beauty can be the reflection of inner beauty,

But physical beauty can overshadow the spirit and prevent it from following God's will.

I will hope to understand God's will and then hope only for the worldly instruments to fulfill it.

All power, wealth, fame, and beauty not required to serve God's will can corrupt me.

Thus, my failure to achieve such excesses is a blessing no matter what the world thinks.

I may fail to achieve power, wealth, fame, and / or beauty because I have not shown God my spiritual maturity to use these instruments for His purpose.

Then, my failure is that of spiritual confusion and not of the world.

I will pray for my spirit to understand how to serve God's plan.

I will hope for the Glorious Kingdom.

I may fail to achieve power, wealth, fame, and / or beauty because I have not shown God my spiritual strength to act according to His will.

Then, my failure is that of spiritual apathy or temptation and not of the world.

I will pray for my spirit to strengthen and act for God.

I will hope for the Glorious Kingdom.

If God should want me to have none of this world,
Then I shall accept my worldly failures willingly.

I will let the powerful trample upon my deeds.

I will let the rich rob me of my sustenance.

I will let the famous shine over my heart.

I will let the beautiful take away my opportunities for love.

I will have hope in the face of failures.

I will hope for the Glorious Kingdom.

1.8 Hope during Times of Loss

There is no pain greater than the loss of a spouse or child.

There is no anguish greater than the loss of bodily capabilities.

There is no turmoil greater than the loss of one's home.

There is no crisis greater than the loss of one's position.

There is no trial greater than the loss of one's freedom.

There is no loss greater than the loss of faith.

Our bodies can be starved, beaten, and murdered,

But the losses that continue day after day are what test our faith over time.

If someone we loved has died, the hope for spiritual reunion after this life can sustain our faith.

If we have been disabled and / or disfigured, the hope for perfect bodies in Heaven can sustain our faith.

If our homes have been destroyed by disasters or seized by authorities, the hope for any warm shelter and a place of worship can sustain our faith.

If we have been fired, expelled, or left without a job, the hope for a new start can sustain our faith.

If we have been imprisoned, the hope for the promised Kingdom can sustain our faith.

Times of loss are hard testing,

But our faith in God's plan must endure.

Christians are tested so we can be spiritually stronger and less bound to this world.

Christians are tested so we can show others the power of Christian faith.

Christians are tested so we can learn from our weakness and mistakes.

Christians are tested so we can experience God's miracle when the loss is restored.

Thus, our greatest hope should be to understand why we have lost and why we are in hard testing.

If God's will is for me to be free from worldly possessions, status, freedom, than I shall devote my body, mind, and spirit to God.

If God's will is for me to show others the courage of a Christian, then I shall endure all spiritual and physical pains.

If God's will is for me to change my ways in this world, than I shall give, care, and love more.

If God's will is for me to be His miracle, than I shall wait and pray in faith.

I will pray that my testing is lifted and that my faith endures.

If my faith weakens, I shall cling to the Word.

The Word is my beacon and the life raft for my soul.

Word shall carry my beaten spirit, broken body, and hopeless status to the Glorious Kingdom.

In the Glorious Kingdom love will never separate.

In the Glorious Kingdom bodies will never hurt.

In the Glorious Kingdom homes will be warm and wonderful.

In the Glorious Kingdom we will stand beside our Lord.

In the Glorious Kingdom we will live as children of God.

In the Glorious Kingdom we will be one in faith.

1.9 Hope when Facing Rejection

We were rejected by other children because of our personality on the playground.

We were rejected by our teachers for not being bright enough or hard working.

We were rejected by our parents for not meeting their dreams and expectations.

We were rejected by our classmates for not being popular.

We are rejected by the opposite sex for not being attractive.

We are rejected by our co-workers for not being competent.

We are rejected by bosses for not bringing monetary gains.

We are rejected by academicians for not being inventive.

We are rejected by businesses for not being marketable.

We are rejected by churches for not being strong in faith.

We are rejected by the public for the color of our skin and the shape of our eyes.

With or without power, wealth, fame, and beauty, many are rejected.

Many of the powerful fought past rejection.

Many of the wealthy remember rejection when they were poor.

Many of the famous continue to face opposition and rejection.

Many of the beautiful have their inner selves rejected.

Rejection is simply the manifestation of evil in this world pulling the body, mind, and spirits of people apart.

As long as the world is in darkness there will be rejection.

As long as people form groups, there will be those left out.

As long as people are selfish, people will look down upon others.

The only people in the world who do not reject are disciples of Christ, those who follow our Lord's commandment to love.

When some must be separated from the community of Christians
because they refuse to repent,
They are to be left in the hands of God so that God can shape them.
We should reject the wickedness, but not the person trapped by evil.
If that person is hurt, we must still cure.
If that person is hungry, we must still feed.
If that person is in danger, we must still protect.
If that person is suffering, we must still comfort.
Our love for all must not end.

Have hope when facing rejection and come to the Body of Christ. .
The Body of Christ can welcome the outcast children.
The Body of Christ can welcome the lonely and heart broken.
The Body of Christ can welcome the incompetent.
The Body of Christ can welcome the unattractive and unpopular.
The Body of Christ can welcome the socially awkward and useless.
The Body of Christ can welcome the persecuted and bullied.

All who accept the love and teachings of Jesus are beautiful to God.

And, the Glorious Kingdom will not reject any who embraces our
Lord.

1.10 Hope under Extreme Persecution

We are taught that all Christians will be persecuted.

If we do not feel persecuted, then we should first ask whether we have been beaten down so much by the world that we no longer feel pain.

If not, then we should ask whether the persecution has been delayed by our Lord.

Finally, we should ask whether we are true Christians.

The divisions within the Body of Christ caused by worldly forces and the weaknesses of Christians persecute all Christians.

The days of wars between Christians are over, but the days of silent denial between one church and another church continues.

In fact, wars actually imply that Christians cared about the unity of the Body.

How painful it is to realize that another Christian in another denomination is too removed to care and too distant to love.

I feel the burden of Christian disunity on my spirit every day.

I feel the coming darkness because Christians are not united enough to stand.

I feel the days when many Christians will weaken in front of the Beasts.

I feel the times when true Christians will endure extreme persecution.

I feel the end of days.

As darkness grows within the world, Christians will become the minority.

Christians will have to live under secularism and other ideologies.
And, Christians will be punished for following God's will.

Christians will lose jobs and lose friends.
Christians will be mocked and laughed at.
Christians will be ostracized and avoided.

Further, our own immaturity in understanding the Word will be used against us.

Secular intellectuals will use the incorrect Biblical interpretations of Christians to argue against the Body of Christ.

Other religions will use the incorrect actions of Christians to draw in followers.

Powerful and wealth leaders will use the incorrect desires of Christians to corrupt the weak.

When all that is left after the persecution of the mind and spirit are
Christians who have remained faithful and mature to the Word,
When all that is left are the olive trees and lamp stands that stand
before the Lord of earth,

The extreme physical persecution of Christians will begin.

I shall have hope that the coming of my Lord is near.

I shall have hope that my spirit can endure the tortures of the body.

I shall have hope that in death I will be in the loving arms of my
Lord.

I know that hope is true for my love and faith is true.

1.11 Hope when Surrounded by Danger

As I serve my Lord in this world of growing darkness,
I will be surrounded by dangers,
Dangers to the body, mind, and spirit.

I will journey to lands of war and have hope.
I will journey into regions of pestilence and have hope.
I will journey in times of famine and thirst and have hope.
I will journey into the heart of disasters and have hope.

My courage comes from hope,
Hope that I will bring others to the Word,
Hope that the Body of Christ will triumph,
Hope that the Glorious Kingdom will come soon.

What is the importance of my body if I can help bring a thousand souls to Christ?
What is the importance of my suffering if I can stand firm as others lose their faith?
What is the importance of my life if I can serve the will of God?

In the dangers of foreign lands, I shall not fear for my Lord walks with me, talks with me, and carries me over darkness.

I will confront anti-Christian laws and have hope.
I will confront anti-Christian teachers and have hope.
I will confront anti-Christian friends and have hope.
I will confront anti-Christian church goers and have hope.

If I am imprisoned, I will praise our Lord behind bars.
If I am expelled, I will praise our Lord in failure.
If I am criticized, I will praise our Lord among the disdain of others.

If I am condemned in the house of God, I will praise our Lord until the court yard is cleared of heathens.

In the dangers of my society, I shall not fear for my Lord walks with me, talks with me, and carries me over darkness

I will witness the fall of churches and have hope.

I will witness the collapse of houses and have hope.

I will witness the end of schools and have hope.

I will witness the death of many and have hope.

If Christians are abandoned, I will try to be with them.

If people become homeless, I will try to shelter them.

If child are wandering, I will try to teach them.

If the death toll increases, I will pray for the shortening of such days.

In the dangers of the last days, I shall not fear for my Lord walks with me, talks with me, and carries me over darkness

I shall journey through dangers to the Glorious Kingdom.

1.12 Hope as Death Approaches

We can each die suddenly at any moment without warning and without recourse.

Our bodies can be broken in a thousand ways.

Our bodies can fail internally for a thousand reasons.

Death is always near us to remind us that life in this world is transient.

Death may sometimes threaten us to encourage us to live well in accordance with the Word.

With the success of modern medicine and the safety of modern devices,

The risk of sudden death has been reduced for many.

This reduction has led many to live free,

Free from the fears of sudden death,

Free from the thoughts of death until old age,

Free from the burdens of daily repentance,

Free from the urgency of studying the Word,

Free from the immediate needs to resolve personal disputes.

Free from the need to hope.

So when death is suddenly upon us, we must now wonder how many can spiritually make peace before departing this world.

So when death falls upon others, we must now wonder how many can struggle with the consequences of death.

Thousands die due to terrorist attacks, and people blindly continue on.

Thousands die due to tsunamis and other natural disasters, and people blindly continue on.

Thousands die due to epidemics, and people blindly continues on.
Is there any thing that will cause the world to think about death and
the Word in life and in death?

To what degree must God bring the fear of death upon the world to
cause people to care?

How much death must we witness for the sake of the Glorious
Kingdom?

I will hope that people turn to the Word with each death.
I will hope that people spiritually come to life as death approaches.
I will hope that people rise above the fear of death.

As the enemy's of Christ storm the gates of our churches,
As I try to stand firm in front of the Beasts,
As my life rest upon the power of the Word,
I see death approaching.

I shall not fear death for I see the Glorious Kingdom.

I shall not fear death for I hear the coming of my Lord.

My hope is that my life is for the glory of God.
My hope is that my death will also be for the glory of God.

1.13 Faith under the Burdens of Life

The boss keeps yelling.

The parents keep demanding.

The baby keeps crying.

The house keeps breaking.

The money keeps leaving.

The debts keep growing.

The wrinkles keep emerging.

The muscles keep aching.

The dreams keep fading.

The friends keep lying.

And, faith keeps weakening under the burdens of life.

Be calm my spirit and take rest in the Spirit of the Lord.

I will let bad bosses strengthen my resolve to work regardless of hardship and seek the path that God has planned for me.

If I can endure the whips of my task masters, I might be strong enough to serve my Lord.

If I am prevented from being complacent, I might find my true calling.

Not just for money, not just for power, not just for fame, but for the Glorious Kingdom

I will forgive my parents, for their lives must be so in order for God to call me to service.

If my parents make unreasonable demands, I could follow God's will but honor my parents for their intent.

If my parents make selfish demands, I could cater to their selfishness as long as I can still follow the teachings of the Word.

I will not let the challenges of parenthood distract my spirit from reaching out to God.

As my baby cries, I will remember how God has taken care of me now and when I was more immature.

How many times have I complained to God about life's challenges and how times have I asked for silly things?

I will not be overwhelmed by the many big and small repairs to my home for my efforts remind me of God's work in this world.

As the home is attacked by wind and rain, so is this world attacked by darkness and evil doers.

As the home experiences failing parts, so is mankind vulnerable to worldly corruptions.

When I work to repair the damages inside and outside of my home, I will think about how the Word has blocked evil and how the Holy Spirit has mended my spirit.

I will see money only as a mechanism for enabling me to express my love for the Lord, my family, and all people.

If I have money, I will use it wisely to provide comfort, spread the Word, relieve suffering, and unite the Body.

If I lose money, I will remember that my love can be expressed in many other ways.

My comfort could be in fine clothing, but I can also find comfort in rags.

My church can use my offerings, but my faith and commitment is more important as a disciple.

People around the world need my donations, but I can also devote energy to helping them lift themselves up.

Resources are needed to bring the Christian denominations together, both faith and spiritual maturity are far more important.

I will accept my debts as a physical burden to remind me of my spiritual debt to my Lord.

I will pay my debts diligently and happily as I will service the will of God.

I will limit my worldly appetites to constrain debts as I will limit my spiritual desires for more sin.

The world is unforgiving of its debt, but God asks nothing for the debt of forgiveness and our spiritual salvation.

I will yet recognize my debt to God, and joyfully pay it as a part of my love.

My body is aging as my spirit approaches the Glorious Kingdom.

Every wrinkle reminds me of my journey's end.

Every wrinkle reminds me of how much I still have to do.

I will hurry in my commitment to the Lord.

I will hurry in my commitment to my family.

I will hurry in my strengthening of my faith.

My body is weak, but my spirit can be strong.

As I toil under aching muscles, I will remember that my spirit must struggle against all evil.

As my body aches more with age, my spirit will grow stronger and ach less.

Under rejection my spirit will no longer ach,

Under hard testing my spirit will no longer ach,

And under persecution my spirit will no longer ach.

My fading dreams could be childish and not consistent with God's plan.

My fading dreams could be due to my lack of spiritually, mentally, and physically commitment.

My fading dreams might need more faith in God to reawaken.

I will ask God about my dreams,

And I will act maturely and faithfully based on God's plan.

Finally, I will endure the deception of others and have faith.

I will endure the betrayal of friendships and have faith.

I will endure the ridicule of Christians and have faith.

I will pray that my faith will be mature enough to see all the workings of evil in this world.

I will pray that my faith will be strong enough to bear the burdens of this world.

1.14 Faith when Controlled Poor Leaders

Man has always been under the yoke of leaders since the days when we demanded kings to rule over us.

Man has always been the victim of poor leadership as kings, presidents, chancellors, premiers, and prime ministers worked the people for personal gains and sacrificed the people in wars of disagreement.

Why can we not let the prophets lead us?

Why can we not declare Christ as our king?

Why must we divide ourselves to form the ruling class?

Why does the concept of class exist even among Christians?

As the world struggles against limited resources, what compromises to our values will our leaders make?

As the world faces manmade and natural disasters, what hardships will we face due to poor preparation and poor response?

As the world fights over ideologies and religions, how will leaders betray Christianity for temporary peace?

As the world yields to the demands of an increasingly secular population, how will leaders compel Christians to accept secularisms?

If our leaders cause suffering across the world for our material gain, I must ask God for guidance on how to relieve the suffering.

If our leaders expose us to dangerous products and environments, I must ask God for insight on how to find ways to live safer.

If our leaders did not prepare our society for future crises,

I must help prepare Christians for the events foretold in prophecies.

If our leaders will not respond to disasters that have befallen us,

I must unite with other Christians to help people find food and shelter.

If our leaders abandon Christian values to make agreements with Muslims, Atheists, Jews, and others,

I must stand firm to my Christian understanding.

If our leaders are from another religion or ideology,

I must have the courage to object to his or her beliefs.

If our leaders demand that we accept secular practices and live by secular ways,

I must remain a true Christian like the early Christians during the persecuting days of Rome.

If our leaders decide to persecute those who will not renounce Christianity,

I must remain firm in my faith until my Lord takes me.

I will accept the desire of Christians for leaders within the churches,
But I shall remain mature in faith even as church leaders bicker about the will of God.

I shall remain firm in faith even as churches divide over childish disagreements.

I shall pray for understanding even as I am surrounded by confusion.

I shall pray for wisdom in selecting leaders,

And I shall pray for the ability to influence leadership.

I shall follow leaders if they follow Christ,

And I shall follow Christ regardless of my leaders.

1.15 Faith when Being Falsely Accused

As darkness engulfs the world, the world will despise the truth.

The world will despise the Word as the truth of God.

The world will despise all Christians who live by and spread the Word.

The world will try to corrupt Christians weak in faith so that they will preach a false understanding of the gospel.

The misinterpretation of the Word over the centuries has led to the formation of hundreds of Christian denominations.

But God has allowed immature Christians to grow at their own pace and overcome their individual misunderstandings.

Now as the forces against Christianity gather strength,

Christians must rise above immaturity and unite around the center of truth to triumph over false accusations.

Every misunderstanding espoused by Christians will be used to discredit our faith.

Every disagreement between Christians will be used to fan the fire of mutual accusations.

Every spiritual doubt within Christians will be used to pull Christians toward the falsies of this world.

Scientists will mix research based on facts with personal ideologies to accuse Christians of irrationality.

Christians who are not versed in scientific methodology and on scientific topics should not fall into the trap of irrational debate.

Other religions will use the misdeeds of Christians and churches to accuse the Body of Christ as being cruel and inhuman.

Christians must accept the immature behaviors of churches but also recognize that many false Christians have used the name of Christ for great misdeeds.

We Christians should be accused by others for our sins even with God's grace,

But the ways of our Lord rise above all accusations and all doubts.

Secular humanitarians will use the selfish indulgence of Christians to accuse Christians of lacking in love.

Christians should recognize that our love is never great enough.

However, Christians who love differently in accordance with God's will must stand firm in our path.

Are we wrong to devote our energy toward saving people around the world instead of pets in our neighborhoods?

Are we wrong to work toward the salvation of souls more aggressively than the salvation of the body?

Are we wrong to trust in the plans of God instead of the arrogant idealism of man?

I shall stand firm and be mature in my faith as I am accused.

If I am a Christian with conservative views, the liberals of this world will try to convince other Christians to accuse me of having no love.

If I am a Christian with liberal views, the conservatives of this world will try to convince other Christians to accuse me of having no faith

If I am a Christian who follows traditions, the contemporaries of this world will try to convince other Christians to accuse me of being unwilling to change.

If I am a Christian who wants change, the traditionalists of this world will try to convince other Christians to accuse me of not respecting the past.

I shall stand firm as a mere Christian and defy all the labels people want to place on me.

I shall faithfully seek the true Christian path free from worldly influences and let the world accuse me for that path.

I will not doubt that God exist.

I will not doubt that Christ is my Lord.

I will not doubt that the Word is truth.

I will not doubt that God's plan will be fulfilled.

I will not doubt that I am called to serve God.

I will not doubt that I shall triumph under all accusations and persecutions.

Faithfully I will march forward when accused of being a disciple of Jesus Christ,

Accused of proclaiming the Word to the world,

And accused of serving God's plan onto the end of days.

1.16 Faith in Witnessing God's Plan

I will answer God's calling and carry the banner of Christ to the far corners of the world.

I will work to unite the Body of Christ so that Christians can confront the days of tribulation together.

As the world is shaken of power of God, I will stand with my Christian brothers and sisters to bear witness to the spiritual troubles of man.

By the Holy Spirit, I will call out to the fearful.

By the Holy Spirit, I will call out to the confused.

By the Holy Spirit, I will call out to the disillusioned.

By the Holy Spirit, I will call out to the hurt.

By the Holy Spirit, I will call out to the heart broken.

By the Holy Spirit, I will call out to the helpless.

By the Holy Spirit, I will lead the repentant and carry the weak into the arms of my Lord.

I will pray for my faith to show the fearful how to cherish life and accept death in the time and manner of my Lord's choice.

I will pray for my faith to show the confused the truth of Christ's teachings.

I will pray for my faith to show the disillusioned the glory of God's plan.

I will pray for my faith to show the hurt the comfort of Christian love and Christian giving.

I will pray for my faith to show the heart broken the power of the Holy Spirit to heal in times of loss.

I will pray for my faith to show the helpless how they can become warriors in the army of God.

The earth will shake and the sky will grow dark, but I shall have faith.

The plagues will come and masses will die, but I shall have faith.

The stars will fall and the cities will crumble, but I shall have faith.

I shall witness such horrible times for these things must occur to unearth the evil that has been growing in the society of man.

I shall witness the surrendering of kingdoms to darkness and the fall of justice to tyranny.

I shall witness betrayal by church goers and the death of Christian churches.

I shall witness the denial of God even as the power of God stretches across the world.

My faith will strengthen as I witness the unfolding of God's plan.

My faith will strengthen as I march before the armies of darkness.

My faith will strengthen as I fulfill my role in the story of man.

Through the horrors and the persecution will come the Glorious Kingdom.

1.17 Faith when Resisting Evil

Evil seeps into the spirits of mankind.
Evil separates man from God and one another.
Darkness calls to us but we must have faith,
Faith to struggle towards the light,
Faith to forgive the sins of others,
Faith to help others struggle towards the light,
The Word will save us if our spirits accept.

In this world, everyone is so distant to one another.
We hide our true selves and live solitary lives.
We are encouraged to hate those different than us.
We are encouraged to be jealous of those who have more than us.
We are encouraged to look down upon those who have less than us.
We are encouraged to lie and deceive for personal gains.
We are encouraged to think only of the physical.
We are encouraged to distrust the friendship of others.
We are encouraged to reject the love of God.
We are encouraged to deny mental understanding.
We are encouraged to ignore spiritual needs.
We are encouraged to bully the weak.
We are encouraged to abuse the helpless.
We are encouraged to argue and fight.
We are encouraged to use power to hurt.
We are encouraged to cause pain to deaden our pain.
We are surrounded by evil and those who have surrendered to evil.

I shall not surrender to evil no matter how I am encouraged.
I shall not surrender to evil no matter how much evil is done to me.
I shall not surrender to evil no matter how deep I am trapped in
darkness.
If I start to fail in spirit, I will cling ever tighter to the Holy Spirit.

If I start to fail in thought, I will read more intensely the Holy Bible.
If I start to fail in action, I will pray harder for guidance.

With each moment of weakness, I will grow stronger in combating evil.

For, the hard testing of this world is to train us to repent and rise in the army of the Lord.

As I start to defeat evil in me, I will let love grow and consume my spirit.

As I understand and guard against evil in others, I will let the plan of God guide me.

Only God can lead me through the darkness of this world and guide me on how to forgive.

If others accept my love, I will help them combat evil and help them through their failures.

I will pray with them, praise with them, and share the Word with them.

We as Christians must stand in darkness and fight evil until the endless days of the Glorious Kingdom.

If others will not accept my love, I will combat evil alone with my Lord.

I will pray for them, oppose their misdeeds, and use the Word to strike into the heart of their philosophy.

I as a Christian must stand alone in darkness and fight evil until the endless days of the Glorious Kingdom.

1.18 Faith when Battling the Beasts

I see the rise of a world government that embraces transnational interdependencies and suppresses freedoms for the sake of common correctness.

I hear the rallying cry of science as the new religion which denies God, denies creation, and denies the spirit.

I taste the bitter formation of a global ideology based on competition, detachment, and opposition to Christianity

I smell the pungent aroma of a single world economy enslaving all people under a controlling system.

I feel the course fabric of a social order based on wealth, power, status, and the pursuit of physical and intoxicating pleasures.

I stand in front of the Beast that is the future of this world.
I stand in front of the Beast that will control the Beast to test the hearts of men.

Into the darkness I will battle the Beasts.
Into the darkness I will go with my Christian brothers and sisters.

I march with the strength of the Holy Spirit.
I battle with the flaming sword of the Word.
I will be a part of God's plan for the Glorious Kingdom.
I will triumph and finish the race.

When the government of the Beasts tries to control me, I shall remain true to what is Christian in actions and deeds.

When the teachers and scholars try to discredit me, I shall remain committed to explaining the Word to all who will listen.

When the global ideology turns against Christianity, I shall raise the banner of Christ higher and praise our Lord louder.

When the world economy denies me sustenance, I shall trust God to provide and follow God's guidance in preparations.

When others seek wealth, I shall seek compassion.

When others seek power, I shall seek peace.

When others seek status, I shall seek love.

When others indulge in pleasures, I shall bath myself in the quenching warmth of the Word.

When others are intoxicated, I shall remain clear to my mission.

My faith will be firm as my body is tortured.

My faith will be firm as my mind is stressed.

My faith will be firm as my spirit is tested.

I will battle the Beasts until this physical life is drained from me.

Then, God will care me to His Glorious Kingdom.

2. One Body for Christ

Christians are one body through Christ united by the Holy Spirit. This body must be for Christ in discipleship, fellowship, and worship.

We must endeavor to think and act by the teachings of Jesus. We must endeavor to love and help one another as one family under God.

We must endeavor to place God at the center of our existence.

Growing the Body of Christ is God's plan for this world. Using Christians to gather new Christians is a part of the plan.

The diversity within the Body has caused centuries of division. Yet, Christian division was allowed to cope with our immaturity.

Now as the spirits of men and women have grown strong and darkness attacks us, We must unite the Body to confront the days ahead.

There are many more to be gathered to form the lampstand of God. There are even more who must be given the Word in full force.

The Body must protect many in the days to come. The Body must stand against hard testing.

Through hard testing the Body will be made pure. For, those church goers without faith will abandon us at the first signs of danger.

Fear not my brothers and sisters for ahead is the Glorious Kingdom. Ahead is the return of Christ our Lord.

Stand firm in our mission to spread the Word.
Stand firm as one body when the world tries to pull us apart.
Stand firm when dark force attack.

We must live for Christ.
We must endure for Christ.
We must die when called for by Christ.
We must be one body for Christ.

2.1 Gathering the Poor in Spirit

The Glorious Kingdom is for the poor in spirit,
Those who recognize their need for the Holy Spirit,
Those who see their spiritual weaknesses and inadequacies,
Those who will not spiritually rebel against the Lord,
Those who let their spirits be cleansed by the Word.

The poor is not arrogant before the Lord.
The poor does not try to be spiritually independent.
The poor will not be jealous of other's spiritual powers.
The poor will not be tempted by the powers offered by evil.
The poor wants no followers.
The poor desires no praise.

The poor is eager to love.
The poor is ready to receive love.
The poor will share what they have.
The poor will worship from the heart.

How easy it is for the physically poor to recognize their spiritual poverty?

When one has nothing in this world, then one can dream of the Glorious Kingdom.

When one is nothing in this world, then one can see more clearly one's spirit for the next world.

The world is filled with the poor, and there are many poor in spirit to be gathered into the Body of Christ.

When a spirit awakens to its inadequacies, Christians must be there with the Word.

When a spirit yearns for love, Christians must be there with the love of the Body of Christ.

When a spirit wants to be filled, Christians must be there to pray for the power of the Holy Spirit.

When a spirit wants to understand, Christians must be there with the teachings of Jesus.

In the poorest lands of this world, Christians must be there.

In the poorest homes of our community, Christians must be there.

In the poorest positions of our workplaces, Christians must be there.

We must defend the poor from the rich, for the rich teaches contentment in the world.

Some rich will indulge in the physical and material pleasures.

Some rich will be boastful of how they do not need God.

Some rich will be proud of their own achievements.

Some rich will be greedy about almost anything they can hoard.

Richness is not about the amount of money but the spiritual corruption caused by money and possessions.

Even one hundred dollars can cause rich behaviors.

So the poor can become rich not just by gaining wealth but also by having a different attitude on wealth.

Be not rich in spirit but instead poor in spirit.

Then, join the Body for Christ.

Be not content with one's spiritual state of isolation.

Then, rest the spirit on the Spirit of Christ.

2.2 Comforting Those Who Mourn

Those who mourn know the pains of this world, for this world corrupted by evil is filled with pain.

Mourn for the orphans who lost their parents' protection.

Mourn for the widows who lost their husband's love.

Mourn for the victims who have been hurt by crimes and persecution.

Mourn for the wounded and crippled during wars and accidents.

Mourn for the sick and dying as their bodies fail.

Mourn for the unjustly imprisoned due to false accusers or unfair laws.

Mourn for the slaves trapped in flawed social systems.

How could anyone laugh when they see the suffering in this world.

How could anyone not care about the pain of others.

The only way to comfort those who are mourning is through the understanding of God's plan.

The only way to stop the weeping of those who suffer is through the promise of the Glorious Kingdom.

Through God's plan we know that the pains of this world are for people to see Christian love.

Through God's plan we know that the pains of this world are for some to witness a miracle from God.

Through God's plan we know that the pains of this world are for others to grow spiritually stronger.

Through God's plan we know that the pains of this world are to push the spiritually rebellious toward God.

Those who suffer should know that no suffering is random and all suffering is temporary.

Christians who suffer must bear the cross of suffering willingly. Our strength will show the world the power of the Holy Spirit and the clarity of the Word.

Our triumph of faith over adversity will comfort others who suffer.

Christians who love so deeply that they feel the pain of others must deliver the comfort of the Word to the suffering.

The Word is God's love and God's promise of the Glorious Kingdom.

The Word is God's plan and the knowledge of why this world must be so to defeat evil.

The Word is life and the Word is laughter.

For the joy of the Glorious Kingdom will wash away all the weeping.

In the end, the only weeping will be from those not in the Body of Christ.

That weeping will be in the darkness far from the light of God.

That weeping will be by those who are laughing at the suffering today.

Christians, let us mourn and find comfort in Christ.

Let us find all those who mourn for others and bring them to the Body.

Let us find all those who weep in suffering and offer the love and care of the Body.

2.3 Training the Meek

The meek possess gentle spirits that resist the corruption of evil.

The meek do not get angry at the pride of others.

The meek do not fight for status, wealth, or power.

The meek do not place themselves above others.

The meek do not defy the will of God.

The meek yield to the meaningless demands of bullies.

The meek share what they have in possessions and capabilities.

The meek help the helpless and bear the burdens of the weak.

The meek follow the ways of love.

Christians must train the meek to inherit the earth,

Because a day will come when they should lead.

We must train the meek to deeply understand God's plan.

We must train the meek to wield the power of the Word.

We must train the meek to apply the power of the Holy Spirit.

We must train the meek to know the ways of evil.

We must train the meek to battle against dark forces.

We must train the meek to protect others through love.

We must train the meek to be the Army of Christ.

This we all must do while diluting none of the meekness.

Those Christians who are not meek should pursue the gentleness of spirit.

Those Christians who are meek must stay meek under hardship and great battles.

We should strive to be like children in our innocence.

We should struggle to follow the ways of peace.

We should battle our own desires to be proud.
Through meekness we are prepared for discipleship.

Through God's plan the meek shall take over the world.
The kings of this world will be defeated.
The businesses of this world will be wrestled away from corruption.
The warriors of this world will be brought to kneel before the Lamb of God.
Then the meek shall lead, teach, and guide.

Until the return of our Lord, let us embrace meekness.
When we are alone in a sea of arrogance, stay meek.
When we are pushed to the limits by tyrants, stay meek.
When we are battling the armies of darkness, stay meek.

Trust that our Lord will protect.
Trust that our Lord will give strength.
Trust that our broken bodies will be carried to the Glorious Kingdom.
Trust that the meek shall inherit the earth.

2.4 Preparing Those Who Hunger for Righteousness

Righteousness is the path toward God's will.

Righteousness is the path of Christian discipleship.

Righteousness is the willing obedience of God's commandments.

Righteousness is love, faith, and hope.

God is the embodiment of good, and righteousness is the desire for all that is good.

It is the love of God, the love of good, and the love of all God's creation.

Those who hunger for righteousness hunger for God.

In a world filled with evil doers, the lost, and the confused, they refuse to give-up.

They seek to do the right things even when it has become socially acceptable to do wrong.

They seek to discover truths when others are comfortable being blind.

They seek to resist temptation when the world has fallen into selfish and harmful desires.

How easier it is for the physically hungry in this world to feel their spiritual hunger.

The starving always yearns for the next life which Christians know is the Glorious Kingdom.

Christians must feed the physically hungry and let the spiritual hunger rise.

We Christians must, by the power of the Holy Spirit, bring all who spiritually hunger into the Body of Christ.

We must endeavor to offer the teachings of Jesus, and God will offer His grace and the Holy Spirit.

We must prepare those who hunger for the path of seeking righteousness.

The path of seeking righteousness is the recognition of one's own spiritual weakness and sin.

The path of seeking righteousness is to embrace the Lord and love our Lord with all our being.

The path of seeking righteousness is to not be righteous but to love and help people to understand the will of God.

The accusers and persecutors in our churches care not for righteousness.

They hunger for authority and power which are not the will of our Lord.

The divisive and argumentative in our churches care not for righteousness.

They hunger for conflict and strife which feeds dark forces.

The self glorifying and self promoting in our churches care not for righteousness.

They hunger for status on a body where the lowest is first.

We Christians must never stop hungering for righteousness.

In the Glorious Kingdom when we are together with our Lord and each other, the hunger of our spirits will be filled.

2.5 Growing the Merciful

The merciful use power gently to help and not to harm.

The merciful use wealth wisely to care and to change.

The merciful use abilities to right wrongs and uplift others.

The merciful forgive when wronged.

The merciful forget when offended.

The merciful feel for the poor and helpless.

The merciful accept the limitation of others.

The merciful understand the weaknesses of man.

The merciful reject sin but embrace the sinner.

Christians must recognize sin and Christians must have mercy.

As we look at others, we need to remember how we have wronged and offended God.

How often have we wandered away from our relationship with the Lord?

How often have we ignored Christ's teachings?

How often have we pursued worldly pleasures that harm the spirit?

How often have we rejected our life's calling?

How often have we betrayed the love of others?

How often have we hurt others for personal gains?

How often have we dreamed of evil things?

How often have we failed as Christians?

Yet, the Lord granted us boundless mercy as a part of His grace.

We were the marble once cast aside.

We were the people once not His own.

We were the slaves of darkness now His children.

Christians must grow our mercy to reflect the mercy offered to us.

Christian leaders must be merciful when dealing with sins in the church.

Preach the truth about sin, which all stems from a lack of love.

Preach also the acceptance of others who sin.

We should separate the Body of Christ from those who unrepentantly advocates sin.

However, we should not end our love for the separated and prayers for them to one day return to the embrace of Body.

Christian warriors must be merciful when combating the armies of darkness.

Forgive them for their spiritual weaknesses, but block them from advancing the agenda of the Beasts.

Act in all ways to give people chances to repent.

Even the cruelest of people could spiritually awaken if we show them mercy.

Even the most fervent attackers could have doubt if we show them mercy.

We should only pursue power if power can be a reflection of our mercy.

We should only acquire wealth if wealth can be an expression of our mercy.

We should only train in capabilities if those capabilities can be an extension of our mercy.

The Body of Christ must be merciful,
And the merciful belongs to the Body of Christ.

2.6 Relying on the Pure in Heart

Those pure in heart are resistant to the effects of evil.
Thus, the Holy Spirit can enter in force to connect them with God.
They see God and God's plan.

They are the prophets in the Body of Christ.
They are our guides in a world filled with darkness.
They are the shields that Christians must rely upon.

Those pure in heart do not hide from the world,
But can journey through its most corrupted realms without falling.
They can see evil for its true nature and brush off the effects of evil
like dust on a coat.
They can battle against the armies of darkness and not succumb to
hate, anger, disillusionment, and temptation.
They can share their purity with Christian brothers and sisters
through fellowship and prayer.

Children are pure in heart because their young spirits have less
places for evil to hide.
Children are pure in heart because some parents have shielded them
from evil.

The purity of children must be protected in the Body of Christ.
However, God will test some children as they grow to see whether
their purity has power and endurance.

Some children will be subjected to bullying and prejudice to see if
they can still love.
Some children will be subjected to failures and mockery to see if
they still have faith.

Some children will be subjected to physical and emotional hardships to see if they can maintain hope.

We do not understand the specific plans of God and must therefore come to the aide of all children in need.

A child subjected to hate will love deeper when they receive Christian love.

A child subjected to defeat will grasp onto the Lord tighter when they receive Christian understanding.

A child subjected to suffering will endure more in battling evil when they receive Christian support.

We Christians must find those pure in heart who have risen from God's testing.

We must love them and care for them as they assume their destiny as God's prophets, teachers, and defenders.

We must study the nature of spiritual purity so that our spirits can learn to be pure.

We must see evil as how the pure sees evil so that our spirits can defeat the darkness.

The Holy Spirit will purify the entire Body of Christ.

But, we have to learn to let the Holy Spirit enter the deepest reaches of our hearts.

Being baptized by the Holy Spirit does not necessarily mean that we have completely surrendered ourselves to the Holy Spirit.

Christians must decide whether they want to be immature brats in the Glorious Kingdom or powerful servants of God.

To be powerful, we must try to be pure.

2.7 Sending Out the Peacemakers

Man has been fighting against man since the days of Cain and Abel. Does it matter why we fight when the desire to fight is fueled by evil?

Evil divides the fellowship among men and separates men from God.

Evil is so insidious that even Christians are driven to fight against Christians.

Evil is so overwhelming that even family members are driven to conflict against family members.

Evil is so corrupting that even husbands are driven to argue against wives.

Peace seems so far away in today's world that we have learned to live with war and live with violence.

Somewhere in the world the cannons and rockets are always in use. The bodies keep piling higher, but the world simply looks on. The wounded keep crying for peace, but the world simply looks on. The homeless keep begging for help, but the world simply looks on.

Everywhere in this world people are hurting people. The children are being murdered, and the society presses forward. The women are being abused, and the society presses forward. The weak are being assaulted, and society processes forward.

We Christians must be the peacemakers if we are to oppose the forces of evil.

We must endeavor to bring an end to wars.

We must endeavor to stop the patterns of violence.

Through peace people can find the spiritual strength to embrace Christ.

Through Christ people can find the spiritual strength gain peace. This is why peace is so hard to achieve.

We have to bring the Word to the angry and hostile. We have to calm the angry and hostile so that they can hear the Word.

The peace that Christians should bring is the peace of body, mind, and spirit.

This peace wipes away the hostility deep down in the spirit. This peace is not a false peace where people constrain their desire for violence because of laws. This peace is not a false peace where nations continuously plan for but hold back on war. This peace is not a false peace where enemies tolerate one another but rejects friendship.

The peace of Christ does not require negotiation and compromise, But the peace may require Christian sacrifice as the armies of darkness will surely fight against the peacemakers.

Christians may die in foreign lands in trying to deliver the Word to leaders lost to evil.

Christians may die at home trying to deliver the Word in the most dangerous neighborhoods.

Christians may even die by the hands of villainous churchgoers who want to preach false gospels.

If such sacrifices are the price of peace, then Christians should pay it boldly as children of God.

Let us journey forth into lands of war.

Let us journey forth into homes of violence.

Let us journey forth into places that preach hate and anger.

2.8 Becoming the Persecuted

All Christians will be persecuted.

The Body of Christ will be persecuted.

The forces of evil will surround every Christian,

But armies of angels will protect us.

We will be called fools and crazy people in a world that worships the material.

We will be denied opportunities because no one wants the representatives of Christ near.

We will be ignored when we try to present the Word.

We will be abandoned by people who once knew us.

We will be mocked for our practices.

We will be imprisoned in some lands.

We will be punished in other lands for being disciples of Christ.

The Body of Christ will be constrained by secular laws.

The Body of Christ will be banned in some lands.

The Body of Christ will be disrupted by false Christians.

The Body of Christ will be attacked by the Beasts.

The Beasts will try to push Christianity to a position of meaningless practices.

Those Christians who yield to the Beasts will be left in the outer courtyards.

They will claim to be Christians, feel good about their assured salvation, but be spiritually dead.

They will claim to be Christians, but accept the ways of the Beasts.

They will claim to be Christians, but surrender true Christians to the persecution of the Beasts.

Stand firm against the Beasts as one body.

Be the lamp stands that are before Christ the Lord
Present the Word to the world as lands fall to disasters.

Among the lands ruled by the Beasts, some will turn to Christ.
The Body of Christ will grow under hardship.
The Christians of the tribulation will be strong.
The Christians of the tribulation will be forged by the fire of
persecution.

When captured for presenting the Word, pray for the Glorious
Kingdom.
When placed on trial for Christian practices, pray for the Glorious
Kingdom.
When tortured for refusing to betray the Lord, pray for the Glorious
Kingdom.

To all those persecuted for their Christian faith, the Glorious
Kingdom is yours.
The Body of Christ will be united with its master.
The pains of the past will be forgotten in the joy of the future.

2.9 Following the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

God the Father, Christ the Son, and the Holy Spirit are one.

The one is Lord of all.

The one will be joined by the Body of Christ.

The Father is the supreme essence of all existence, and the Father is the definition of good.

The Son is God's understanding of man, and God's love for man.

The Holy Spirit is God's grace reaching into all in the Body of Christ to join Christians with one another and with God.

There is no separation between the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

There is no place where one ends and the other begins.

The Body of Christ must understand this Trinity.

The Body of Christ must embrace this unity as their own.

In this world as we learn to struggle against evil, those baptized by the Holy Spirit are touched by the Spirit of God.

In the Glorious Kingdom, when the spirits of God's children are cleansed of evil, the children will in turn touch the Spirit of God.

The children will be one as the Father and Son are one.

The children will be forever joined with God by the Holy Spirit.

Then, man will be above the angels.

Then, man will live in the house of our Lord united in love.

We Christians must prepare for the Glorious Kingdom and embrace the oneness of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Understand that it is the love and sacrifice of the Son that has built the bridge between man and God.

Understand that it is the supremeness of the Father that has planned creation around the free will of man.

Understand that it is the Holy Spirit that will pull man to God in salvation upon death.

However, pray to the three as one, pray to the three as Lord.

Brothers and sisters in Christ,

Let us not allow traditions to trap us in thoughts of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit as distinct individuals.

A harmony of will is inadequate in describing the Trinity.

Let us also not allow needs and fears to trap us into denying the uniqueness of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit even as They are one. Calling out only to Christ without recognizing the Father is immature.

Praying to the Father without deeply understanding the teachings of Christ is immature.

Accepting the Father and Son while ignoring the powers granted by the Holy Spirit is immature.

We must be mature to prepare the Christian Body for the return of our Lord.

We must unite under the center of truth.

2.10 Accepting the Gift of Salvation

Jesus the Son came to live among man and to bring the truth of God to man in human words.

This is because God's first chosen people have strayed too far from God for the prophets to bring insights.

This is more importantly because all of humanity was ready to receive the truth of God.

The Jews broke the first covenant by crucifying Jesus.

In the death of Jesus, God formed a new covenant with all mankind.

In the resurrection of Jesus, the Son brought the understanding of the human spirit to the Father.

It was only after the Son has returned to the Father in forty days that the Holy Spirit descended in force.

The resurrection of Jesus enabled salvation, but the acceptance of salvation depends on man.

The acceptance of salvation depends on faith and not by obeying laws.

But true faith, which allows the Holy Spirit to enter our spirits for the baptism of salvation, is not just by calling Jesus' name.

A churchgoer who calls to Jesus, but has no love for God or others, will have no faith.

A churchgoer who waves the Bible, but embraces actions that are against the Bible, will have no faith

True faith is the awakening of the spirit.

This awakening can be as simple as hearing about the gift of Jesus.

This awakening can be by imitating acts of Christian love.

This awakening is most often through reading the Holy Bible.

Once faith is enough to let the Holy Spirit enter, the birth of a Christian should be obvious by the expression of love.

The faith of Christians must still be grown through prayer, scriptural studies, and expression.

A Christian is still vulnerable to sin,

And a Christian will be in sin until he or she is in the Glorious Kingdom.

Nevertheless, a Christian can never surrender to sin no matter how weak his or her actions, thoughts, and spirit have been.

The defeat of sin's power over a Christian spirit is by learning how to love God and one another.

Learning to love is the center of Jesus' teachings.

Succeeding in love is how our faith will grow.

Through growing faith, the spirits of Christians will start to understand God's plan.

Through growing faith, the spirits of Christians will learn to live holy lives.

Through growing faith, the spirits of Christians will gain powers from God to serve God's will.

Through growing faith, the spirits of Christians will unite as the Body of Christ.

Brothers and sisters in Christ,

As faith should be reflected in actions, let us not debate whether salvation is by faith or faith and good works.

Let faith and action be one, and let us understand that no amount of action can make us sinless in front of God.

Let faith be the way to receive God's grace.

Let action, when actions can be taken, be the way to affirm faith.

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2.11 Using Free Will to Follow God's Will

In order for us to be God's children, we had to be made in the spiritual image of God.

To have the spiritual image of God is to have the free will of the spirit.

To have the free will of the spirit as man is to be vulnerable to evil.

To be vulnerable to evil is to be separated from God through sin.

To bring the spirit of man back from sin, God planned creation around the free will choices of man.

The plan is so perfect that God knows exactly everyone who can be saved from the beginning to the end of days.

To declare this plan, the names of all who will be saved are placed in the Book of Life.

The Book of Life reveals the Body of Christ.

The Book of Life includes all who have embraced the Word in life and are free from judgment.

The Book of Life includes all who had to receive the Word in death and will join the Body later after judgment.

The Book of Life is God's plan for the Glorious Kingdom

For generations upon generations, God's plan works with the choices of man to achieve predestined outcomes.

This predestination does deny man's spiritual free will.

This predestination does declare that every event and action in this world is by God's design.

God's design battles with evil that seeks to corrupt God's creation.

Therefore, God's design should not be confused with God's will.

It is not God's will for evil to exist.
It is not God's will for man to be corrupted by evil.
It is not God's will for angels to rebel.
It is not God's will for people to hurt one another.

God's will is reflected through the teaches of Jesus.
God's will is for every person to join the Body of Christ.
God's will is for people to love another.
God's will is for no one to have to physically suffer for the needs of the spirit.

Since we cannot fully grasp the complexity of God's plan,
Christians must simply follow God's will.

When we are given glimpses of God's plan through the prophets or through the Holy Spirit,
We must act accordingly to follow God's plan.

This is particularly true for the Body of Christ during the end of days.
The prophecies of the Old and New Testament tell of kingdoms, wars, and disasters yet to come.
The prophecies tell of Christians being the only force against the rising darkness.
The prophecies tell of the return of Jesus and a millennia of peace.

Brothers and sisters in Christ,
Do not sit back and believe that God will control us to follow His will.
Do not sit back and blame our weaknesses on predestination.
Our future is by God's design.
However, God's design is based on our choices in life.

So, let us choose to study scriptures.

Let us choose to pray for guidance.

Let us choose to use our free will to follow God's will.

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2.12 Rejecting Sin Inside and Outside the Church

The ultimate nature of sin is the state of the spirit that separates man from God and one another.

The original sin of Adam is passed through the generations as inherited spiritual vulnerability to evil.

Our spiritual tendency to rebel against the commandment to love God and one another is then reflected in thoughts and actions.

The thoughts and actions of each person drive his or her spiritual state.

Some actions and even some thoughts are so serious that it could cause spiritual death.

Some actions and thoughts can also corrupt Christians to cause them to fall.

But, there are many actions and thoughts that merely weaken the spirit.

And, there are actions and thoughts that affect different spirits differently.

The Body of Christ must reject sin in this world, but rejecting sin does not mean rejecting people.

The greatest sin in this world is to reject God when the truth of the Word has been delivered in full force.

All other sins that cause people's spirits to be too filled with evil to accept God are also considered the greatest sins.

The way to reject these greatest sins is to deliver the Word in greater force and love more intensely.

However, the Body of Christ must be guarded against the dangers of such sins.

People who preach false gospels or false religions cannot be allowed to spread such evil thoughts within the Body of Christ.

People who embrace anger and violence to the point of murder cannot be allowed to physically and emotionally harm Christians.

People who practice deceit, malice, gossip, and slander cannot be allowed to disrupt the fellowship of Christians.

People who refuse to repent from spiritually damaging sexual relations cannot be allowed to advocate their behaviors in the church.

Once we have protected the Body of Christ, let us help one another with love.

Let us forgive those who have sinned against us,

And let us agree that no one understands the full complexity of sin.

An action or thought can be harmless to one Christian but be spiritually damaging to another.

Some Christians can dust off the sins from the world because they are pure on the inside.

Other Christians must cling tightly to teachings and rules so they can fight the constant threat of growing sin.

Brothers and sister in Christ,

Let us not become obsessed with exposing the sins of others.

Let us not be self righteous and blind to our own great sins.

Let us not ignore the dangers of some great sins.

Let us not be so accepting that we forget right from wrong.

Let us see the real affects of sin,

And let us defend against those affects.

Let us understand the causes of sin,
And let us defeat those causes while remaining in love with sinners.

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our Lord.

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2.13 Brotherhood and Sisterhood in Christ

Men and women are equal in our opportunities for spiritual salvation and rewards in the Glorious Kingdom.

However, the spirits of men and women have different qualities from ancient times to today.

The Bible teaches husbands to love their wives as God loves man. The Bible teaches wives to obey their husbands as man should obey God.

In this manner, the bodies, minds, and spirits of women should be protected by men.

In the manner, the bodies, minds, and spirits of women are shielded from temptations through actions of obedience.

In ancient times, women received the powers of the Holy Spirit like men.

In ancient times, women served the church as deaconess like men.

However, women were not ordained as priests within the church.

The Apostle Paul's guidance is that the head of every man is Christ and the head of every woman is man.

Times do change and the spirits of men and women are maturing.

As the spirits of men and women across the world have been prepared by God to received the Word two thousands years ago,

The spirits of men and women have grown more aware after centuries with the Word.

Can and should women be ordained as priests and ministers is a decision for the Body of Christ.

This decision should be made with guidance from the Holy Spirit.

Then, what the Body or Christ decides on earth will be accepted in Heaven.

If the spirits of some women have grown mature in their understanding of the Word and strong in resistance against evil, Then the Body of Christ should let these women lead. These women will not lead by authority, for their understanding should still include the authority of men in the Bible. Instead these women will lead by respect, men yielding their authority to them in love and honor.

In troubled times when the faith of men have failed and leaders are lacking, The Body of Christ can appoint women to lead. The needs of the church and the size of the harvest may call for women to take on the spirit burdens of leadership. Without the proper authority of men, women might have to assume authority. Women with such authority must pursue the guidance of the Holy Spirit and grow in spiritual maturity.

In more shameful times when the spirits of women have grown defiant and demand authority, The Body of Christ might wish to allow such immature women to gain what they desire. What point is tradition if people no longer understand? Once women have become leaders, then the Body of Christ can observe their actions and help them grow in humility.

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2.14 One Church and One Governance

All Christians have responsibilities as disciples in the Body of Christ.

How disciples work together as one is a matter of governance.

When a disciple is given insights regarding the church by the Holy Spirit,

Such insights must be carefully considered, prayed upon, and followed by the church when deemed accurate.

When a disciple is called upon to lead within the church,

Such a calling must be carefully considered, prayed upon, and respected by the church when deemed clear.

The Glorious Kingdom is not a democracy.

The ideal governance of the church should be by God-appointed apostles.

When insight was not clear, early Christians drew lots from all qualified candidates to replace apostles.

The apostles focused on spiritual matters within the church and left financial matters to others.

Disciples can disagree with an apostle, and the authority of the apostle is not enforced by power.

The Body of Christ should recognize the power of leadership through oligarchies.

Oligarchies can enable mutual spiritual support among leaders.

Oligarchies can enable diversity among groups within the Body of Christ.

And, an oligarchy does not preclude the position of first among the leaders as Peter was the head of the apostles.

Since only God can appoint apostles and prophets,

The selection of leaders in the church by Christians may have to be limited to pastors, teachers, and evangelists.

These leaders have to bear the burden of governance when apostles and prophets are not known.

The selection of pastors, teachers, and evangelists must be a careful process that considers the dangers of democracy.

Democracy often favors leaders who cater to the lowest desires of people.

Democracy often overlooks the needs and insights of the minority.

Democracy often relies upon laws to maintain order.

Democracy often leads to charismatic leaders and not always leaders closest to our Lord.

Christians, let us work toward common understanding within a local church.

Churches, let us work toward common understanding within a region or denomination.

Denominations, let us work toward common understanding for the stewardship of the Body of Christ.

Let us not give-up on one church based united understanding of the Word.

Let us not give-up on one church governance.

Only as one can Christians oppose the rise of the Beasts.

Only as one can Christians receive the Glorious Kingdom.

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2.15 Mission Onto the World

All people from the days of Adam will receive the Word.

Those born before the salvation offered by Christ and those not reached by Christians will receive the Word in death.

Those who have received the Word in death are denied the chance of repentance and spiritual transformation.

Many of the dead will be condemned for their sins of thoughts and actions in life.

Some of the dead might successfully pass through judgment and be saved.

Not all who have died without receiving the Word are lost to the darkness.

But, so many need the opportunity for spiritual transformation in life.

The Word given through Christians in life can instantly transform the spirit to offer salvation without judgment.

The Word given through Christians in life can be a seed that transforms the spirit later in a life guided by God.

The Word given through Christians in life can be a merciful opportunity offered to those determined to embrace sin.

Delivering the Word to the world is the great commission to all Christians.

On this mission, some Christians want to convince others to receive the Word through actions of Christian love and kindness.

On this mission, some Christians want to convince others to receive the Word through the presence of a stable Christian community.

On this mission, some Christians want to convince others to receive the Word through powerful preaching.

On this mission, some Christians want to convince others to receive the Word through inspiring testimonies.

All these methods can be effective depending on the spiritual needs of the recipients.

In determining our role for delivering the gospel,
Some Christians believe in aggressive evangelism as the Holy Spirit works through us.

Some Christians believe in making the Word available and letting God guide people to salvation.

Of the evangelicals, some believe that Christians are merely fulfilling the promise to those in the Book of Life.

Of the evangelicals, others believe that Christians must try to save all as we should not try to understand who is in the Book of Life.

Regardless of our views, this much is clear,

We must love all, for love must be at the core of the Christian spirit.

We must want everyone to be saved, for that is a part of love.

We must feel sadness toward those who are lost.

We must trust in God to guide us on our missions.

We must trust in God to determine the perfect outcomes for our missions.

We must trust in God's plan for the Glorious Kingdom.

With such clarity, Christians can combine the diversity in the Body of Christ for the great commission.

Christians with different understanding of people's spiritual needs and intellectual rebelliousness can help one another succeed.

There is a time to be bold and a time to be gentle in spreading the gospel.

Christians, let us not argue about when we can collaborate.

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We must unite under the center of truth.

2.16 Leveraging Power in this World

The powers of this world corrupt.

There is power in money, authority, and fame.

But, each power comes with a price and temptations.

But, each power can be misused even with good intentions.

But, each power carries a great burden for Christians.

Christians with the power of money, authority, and fame must seek guidance from the Holy Spirit.

Can we resist the temptation for using church wealth to glorify the power of man?

Can we resist the temptation to punish those within our churches who do not match our standards of Christian practice?

Can we resist the temptation to force Christian values upon society through laws?

Can we resist the temptation for using charisma and notoriety to grow cult like Christian followings?

In democracies, the power given to the people corrupts even the churches of Christianity.

Christians have fought for equality and human rights even though such are not the ways of Heaven.

The Glorious Kingdom is not about equality but the recognition of status and rewards associated with spiritual qualities.

The Glorious Kingdom is not about rights but the plan and will of God.

Christians have fought for social traditions and personal accountability even though such are not the ways of Heaven.

The Glorious Kingdom is not about traditions but the understanding of God's ways.

The Glorious Kingdom is not about accountability but forgiveness and God's love.

Churches, do not confuse progressive and conservative political positions with the values of Christianity.

Christians care about the preservation and protection of human life.

Christians care about relieving the suffering of others.

Christians care about access and opportunities to receive the Word.

If we have money, authority, and fame to address issues in the world,

Then such priorities are better ways to leverage power.

We care about human life because we care about the salvation of the spirit associated with life.

We care about human suffering because we love and must express that love against the torments in this world.

We care about access to the Bible and ability to worship because we care about spiritual growth.

If people are safe and can worship freely, then the concerns of Christians should be on growing and maturing the Body of Christ.

If people are safe and can worship freely, then Christians should not be too concerned about gaining wealth, authority, and recognition.

If other Christians are seized by the self-justified need to gain wealth, authority, and recognition,

Then let us remind them that the Body of Christ lives not by breathtaking church buildings, Christian celebrities, and politics.

The Body is powerful based on love, faith, and hope.

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2.17 Moving Past Christian Institutions

Christian institutions based on organization have a defined role for everyone.

There is a defined process for newcomers.

There is a defined process for placement and relationships.

There is a defined process for change and advancement.

There is a defined process for threats to stability.

Many are trapped by the comfort of being guided, which constrains free will.

Christian institutions based on escape teach an understanding that avoids the fear of hard testing.

There may be places to hide from the world.

There may be a promise made for rapture before the tribulation.

There may be a view that one is saved upon calling to the Lord.

There may be an interpretation that God controls everyone.

Many are trapped by the certainty that nothing needs to be done even when so much needs to be done.

Christian institutions based on servitude keep people working without questions.

People should not question the nature of God.

People should not question the meaning of the Holy Bible.

People should not assume great roles but be humble.

People should evangelize out of duty.

People should just keep trying.

Many are trapped by a sense of obligation that blocks real selfless serving.

Christian institutions based on hope feed people comforting dreams even when the dreams block spiritual growth.

People dream about all people being saved.

People dream of all suffering being relieved.
People dream of great prosperity.
People dream of an end to sorrow.
People dream of ideal friendships.
People dream of the imminent return of Jesus.
Many are trapped by collective dreams that hinder people from understanding God's plan.

The Body of Christ should only have one institution based on truth.
This institution should not exist through coercion or peer pressure.
This institution should rely upon the power of truth to bond Christians together in fellowship.

Our institution should rely upon the power of truth to teach Christians how to organize.
Our institution should rely upon the power of truth to let Christians know how the journey should proceed.
Our institution should rely upon the power of truth to motive Christians to serve in love.
Our institution should rely upon the power of truth to affirm hope and trust in the plan of God.

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2.18 Embracing Power from Our Lord

The power of our Lord is in all creation,
And our Lord can project power into the world as He pleases.

Our Lord can turn the Nile into blood, cover the land with frogs, turn dust into gnats, send illness, and bring down fire from the sky.
Our Lord can part the Red Sea, cover the land in darkness, present pillars of fire and smoke, and send food from Heaven.
Our Lord can instantly transform the world.
Yet, our Lord still lets man have free will.

Before the salvation offered by Jesus, the power of the Lord were only offered to the selected prophets.
With the baptism of the Holy Spirit, the power of the Lord is offered to Christians in accordance with need.
Christians can heal, drive out demons, raise the dead, prophesize, and speak in tongues.
As taught by Jesus, if our faith is greater than a mustard seed,
We can further move mountains.
We can further walk on water.
We can further calm storms.
We can imitate Jesus.

Sadly Christian faith is weak, and thus our powers are by grace.

The power of the world to trap spirits in scientific disbelief and materialism has further led Christians to deny our powers.
Prophecies are laid before Christians, but many will not believe.
Miracles are shown to Christians, but many will not notice.
The Holy Spirit wants to pour in, but many will only accept a trickle.

The power of the world to fool spirits into false desires has further led Christians to pursue mistaken powers and signs.

Christians misinterpret the insights provided by the Holy Spirit because of spiritual immaturity.

Christians follow false prophecies because the words appeal to their spiritual weaknesses.

The Holy Spirit wants to awaken the Christian spirit, but many will embrace confusion.

A day is coming when the power from the Holy Spirit will be much needed in the Body of Christ.

The power may not manifest in the same ways as it did in the early centuries for such is no longer what we need.

The power will allow Christians to oppose the rise of the Beasts in Revelations.

The power will allow Christians to gather many into the Body in a time of great crises.

The power will allow Christians to endure all manners of persecution.

The power will carry us to the Glorious Kingdom.

We Christians must prepare our spirits to accept the power that is about to descend.

We must not hunger for false power,
And we must not reject true power and responsibilities.

We must be mature to prepare the Christian Body for the return of our Lord.

We must unite under the center of truth.

2.19 Spreading the Word to the Spiritually Strong but Immature

In ancient times, people with spiritual strength and no awareness of the true God turned to magic.

The use of spiritual strength to draw energy from creation against God's will made people vulnerable to evil.

Such energy is always misused.

Further, evil forces will many times offer energy as a form of temptation.

Magic can be by controlling forces in the physical world, such as levitation, telekinesis, and elemental control.

Magic can be by transforming matter and matter states, such as pyrotechnics, alchemy, and healing.

Magic can be by controlling the spirit and spiritual interactions, such as telepathy, empathy, and astral projection.

Magic can be by exerting spiritual control over animals, spirits in the World of the Dead, and perhaps even demons.

Magic can be by reading the patterns of God's creations through astrology and fortune telling.

In modern times, people with spiritual strength and no awareness of the true God turned to science.

The use of spiritual strength to intellectually understand and manipulate creation parallels the branches of magic.

However, such understanding is always flawed,

And evil forces will many times trick scientists to follow wrong path of scholarship.

Scientists can use physics to control the forces in the physical world.

Scientists can use chemistry to alter matter and matter states.

Scientists can use psychology to control intellectual states and interactions.

Scientists can use biology to change the structure of living things. While there is no scientific counter part to fortune telling, geopolitical and economic models can be used to predict the future.

To spread the Word to the spiritually strong but immature, the consequences of strength must be defeated.

To defeat magic, Christians must show that the power of the Holy Spirit is far greater.

When the strong feels weak, then they might realize that their immature use of strength has let evil corrupt them.

To defeat science without God, Christians must show that the clarity and fullness of the Word can lead scientists to truth.

When the intelligent feels dumb, then they might realize that their immature endeavors without God has let evil corrupt them.

The fallacies of scientific theories have invaded the churches of Christianity.

This invasion has caused Christians to strike compromises with science.

This invasion has caused other Christians to reject science.

If the Body of Christ cannot spread the Word to the spiritually strong and immature, the strong and immature will attack the Body of Christ.

Christians must be spiritually strong to take on this mission.

Christians must be spiritually mature to triumph over evil.

The Word must be delivered in force to push people to grow.

The strong and immature will awaken for the Glorious Kingdom.

2.20 Spreading the Word to the Spiritually Strong but Stagnated

Without the salvation of the Word, the spiritually strong will stagnate in their quest for maturity and understanding.

Some who are stagnated believe that man's own spiritual power can be great enough to push out worldly corruption.

Through ritual meditation, they believe that the spirit can ascend to a higher state after death.

Through philosophical practices, they believe that the spirit can fight off evil.

Through the worshiping of ascended spirits, they believe that those spirits will aid their way.

Through the working of mystical powers, they believe that man will be closer to the divine.

Others who are stagnated believe that the quest for the divine can take many paths.

The quest is to them more important than the correct path as pursuit can lead to enlightenment.

The problem of pursuit by any path is that evil in this world is impossible to understand without the Word.

Some want to hide from the world to avoid the evil within.

Some want to do good works to get closer to the divine.

Some want to think of God as merely the creator and observer.

Some want to deny evil by trying to see good in all things.

The spiritually strong and stagnated have come a long way to recognize the reality of higher spiritual states.

However, their spiritual growth will back slide due to the corruption of evil if they cannot see the truth of God.

Those who hide from the world will start to lose their love for fellow man.

Those who do good works will become content and ignore the evil that still grows within them.

Those who see a distant God can never be touched by the Holy Spirit of God.

Those who see good in all things will indulge in acts of selfishness and carelessness.

The Body of Christ must be mature to deliver the clarity and fullness of the Word to those on a spiritual quest.

They will challenge our spiritual understanding.

They will compare the love of Christians to their sense of goodness.

They will ask us to explain the nature of God and evil.

They will resist the demand of Christian discipleship.

If our power of prayer cannot triumph over the meditation of others,

If our expression of love cannot overwhelm attempts at good works,

If our relationship with God is not as His children,

If our understanding of evil cannot defeat people's desire to ignore,

Then, we too might become spiritually stagnated.

Christians must continuously grow in spiritual maturity so that we can lead non-Christians to grow with us.

Christians must be spiritually strong to mission to the strong who are seeking God.

The Word must be delivered in force to wipe away confusion.

The strong and stagnated will awaken for the Glorious Kingdom.

2.21 Spreading the Word to the Spiritually Weak and Immature

The spiritually weak are pulled along by the currents of society. They neither struggle with the powers of the world or with their own spiritual growth.

They instead follow the standards and religions that have captured them.

Some are apathetic about spiritual growth.

Others have limited capacity to understand God's will.

If no one had pushed the spiritually weak to become more aware, Then they will be in states of spiritual immaturity.

Some will focus on rituals and practices.

Some will turn to the appeal of simpler false religions.

Some will focus on the pleasures of life.

Some will go through life as robots.

Even Christians may suffer from spiritual weakness.

They will attend church but not come alive.

They will meet other Christians but not want fellowship.

They will care more about wealth and status than service to God.

They will give but not give in love.

Despite such immaturity, evil might not have many places to hide in a spirit that is not complex.

If that evil can be defeated through faith, even the weak and immature can be powerful warriors in the Army of Christ.

Not all Christian warriors need to fully understand the will of God.

Not all Christian warriors have to be spiritually strong.

This weakness should not be confused with the blessing of spiritual
poorness which is recognized by the mature.

Yet, the weak can be led by the strong.

Yet, the weak can help one another gain strength.

The way to defeat evil within the weak is the gradual increasing
presence of the Holy Spirit.

The way to let in the Holy Spirit is through the spoon feeding of the
gospel.

The Holy Spirit may initially enter as a trickle,

But this trickle can open the spirit up to learn more about the Word.

When the weak and immature are trapped in other religions and cults
that block free will,

The barrier toward Christian influence must be broken down with
love.

When people are taught to hate Christians, we must dispel hate with
love.

When they are taught to distrust Christians, we must earn their trust
through sacrifice.

Sometimes we can only plant the seed of the Word with the hope
that it is in fertile ground.

Sometimes God will use trials and tribulations to compel the spirit to
move forward.

We must be ready to receive the weak and immature when they are
ready to find faith.

We must be ready to lead them to the Glorious Kingdom.

2.22 Spreading the Word to the Spiritually Weak and Stagnated

The spiritually weak can become stagnated if they are on a path of spiritual change and no longer have the strength to push forward.

The only non-Christian path of spiritual change that is aligned with the will of God is Judaism.

Since the days of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, God has guided the spiritual growth of the Jewish people.

However, God's commandments and laws did not awaken the spirits of the Jews.

Their spiritual stagnation then led to the formation of the second covenant with the whole world.

The second covenant has and continues to gather the spiritually strong Jews into the Body of Christ.

How to deliver the gospel to the weak and stagnated Jews is a matter of great challenge.

A non-Christian path of spiritual change that continues to challenge Christianity is Islam.

Islam teaches a false understanding of the Christian God.

But Islam brought the people of the Middle East, who rejected Christianity, out of paganism.

The Islamic path to the garden paradise is to follow simple laws that are less demanding than God's commandments.

There is no pursuit of the Holy Spirit or a relationship with God in to Qur'an.

Instead, there are practices that respond to the weaknesses of the spirit.

The weak spirit is tempted by women, so women must be covered.
The weak spirit is tempted by alcohol abuse, so alcohol cannot be consumed.

The weak spirit is tempted by excessive gambling, so gambling cannot be conducted.

The weak spirit has no faith, so set daily prayers have been established.

The weak spirit needs to belong, so a pilgrimage to Mecca is called for.

The weak spirit wants to feel good, so the giving of alms to the poor has been established.

None of the laws and practices of Islam can make a spirit strong.
So Muslims, like the Jews, are trapped in spiritual stagnation.

If the Jews can obey God's laws perfectly, then they could still be saved through their righteousness upon judgment

Their righteousness will enable their spirits to awaken upon receiving the Word in death.

Their righteousness should enable their spirits to move past stagnation and embrace the Word in life.

If the Muslims can obey Mohammad's laws perfectly, then they will be perfect separated from the awareness of God's truth.

Their confusion will make their spirits vulnerable to evil in life.

Their confusion will cause the Word to condemn them in death.

A way to deliver the Word to the Jews is to show how Christian understanding gives deeper meaning to God's laws.

A way to deliver the Word to the Muslims is to show how Christian understanding defeats the laws of Mohammad.

This mission requires great faith and much prayer.

We must believe that Christian love can overcome many past Christian misdeeds.

We must believe that Christian love can lead even those who oppose us to the Glorious Kingdom.

3. Glory Forever

I await the coming Kingdom when man will live with God.
I await the end of hate, anger, selfishness, and deceit.
I await the days when sorrows are forgotten and joy is all we know.
I await the banishment of evil and all who embrace evil into the darkness.

Glorious is the coming Kingdom.
Perfect is the plan of God.
All in the Book of Life will be saved.
Man and God will be one family joined by the Holy Spirit.

We are created in the image of God, from the spiritual fabric of God.
Jesus taught us that we are gods and that we are only for a little while below the angels.
The angels serve God's plan, and God's plan is to create us to be His sons.
The most dedicated sons shall soon join our brother Jesus in ruling the world under truth for a thousand years.
Then all the sons across time will be gathered to be one family in the New Heaven and New Earth.

To serve God's plan, we need to let God into our spirits through the Holy Spirit.
We need to show our spirits with all the good and corruption to God.
Fear not, for God knows of all the evil and weaknesses in the hearts of men.
Fear not, for God is our loving, caring, forgiving, and strengthening Father.
God will help us hold on to Him.
God will help us triumph over evil.

God will help understand His will.

Do not let go of God, no matter how much we have sinned.
Do not hide the evil within us, for evil grows in the shadows.

God will guide us to the Glorious Kingdom where evil is wiped away from our spirits.

We will receive the water and tree of life and live forever in the city of gold.

Our bodies will be made perfect,
And we will love far beyond our current capacity for love.

We will live among friends and among family.
We will never be lonely, isolated, and hurt again.

3.1 Holy, Holy, Holy Is God the Father Almighty

Moses saw God as the center of the burning bush.

Ezekiel saw God as a man of fiery form with the color of bronze from the waste-up.

Daniel saw God as a man in pure white robe with hair like wool.

John saw God's face gleaming as precious stones and surrounded by a rainbow of emerald color.

How will our spirits see God?

Will we see God as the center of the tree of humanity engulfed by the Holy Spirit?

Will we see God as a firm figure emanating fiery power?

Will we see God as a pure figure with lamb like qualities?

Will we see God as a beautiful figure that expressed His beauty across His Holy City?

However we see God, the fact that we are like God is clear.

God's form is our form, for we are in His image.

However, the full image of God is great, too great for even the prophets to see.

God is the center and meaning of existence.

All that was, is, and to be is from God.

Beyond the extent of God is darkness and nothingness.

To be away from the presence of God is to be in darkness.

Holy is God the Creator,

And the Creator shall save all that can be saved.

Holy is God the almighty,

For evil and all the angels and people claimed by evil shall be defeated.

Holy is God the Father,
And our Father shall give us the truest and deepest unending love.

Holy, Holy, Holy is God

God is I AM by the fullest meaning of the words.
To touch God is to feel all of existence to the end of time.
And, existence with God is the definition of good for God is the definition of good.

God's creation is vast, complex, and beautiful.
The universe and beyond is too much for mortal man to enjoy,
But not too much for immortal man in the Glorious Kingdom

Being with God is not about mortal man's comprehension of praise.
Being with God is about sharing with our Father the glory of all creation.

For, to understand God is to love Him ever deeper.

Can we kneel before God and praise Him continuously while exploring the wonders of creation?
Immortal man surely can because praising the Father is simply our honored status in the Glorious Kingdom.
The status of the archangels is to stand before God.
Yet, the archangels look after countless things across the earth and across time.

3.2 Powerful Is the Holy Spirit of God

The Holy Spirit is always with God to connect God with the tree of humanity.

Four creatures as seen by the prophets are always with God. Therefore, we must wonder whether these creatures represent the Holy Spirit during different stages of human growth.

Ezekiel saw the creatures around God as human forms each with the face of a lion, bull, human, eagle.

Isaiah saw the creatures as having flames and six wings.

John saw the creatures as being like a lion, bull, human, and eagle each with eyes front and back as well as having six wings.

During the first age of humanity before the great flood, the spirit of man was like the lion, powerful and untamed.

During the second age of humanity before the birth of Jesus, the spirit of man was like the bully, defiant of God's commandments.

During the third age of humanity before the return of Jesus, the spirit of man became human, aware of God's truth as Christians.

During the fourth age of humanity after the return of Jesus, the spirit of man will sore like the eagle, flying under the wind of our Shepard.

Regardless of whether the creatures around God reflect the Holy Spirit,

The Holy Spirit had to look after the spirits of men during the four ages.

While the Holy Spirit could not enter the spirits of men during the ages of lion and bull,
Those spirits sent to the World of the Dead will need attention after receiving the Word.
Some might pass through God's judgment and be pulled from the darkness by the Holy Spirit.
This is not the salvation free from judgment offered to Christians,
But anyway to enter the Glorious Kingdom is better than darkness.

With the sacrifice of Jesus, the Holy Spirit will enter all who believes in Him.
To believe in Jesus is to spiritually embrace the Word as disciples.
Thus, the spiritual baptism that brings about rebirth is by the Holy Spirit.
With the Holy Spirit, God reaches into the spirits of Christians and God brings Christians deeper into the Word.
The Body of Christ will be with its Lord forever.

As Jesus and those of the first resurrection reign over the world that surrendered to the Beasts,
The power of God's truth will be given in full force.
Satan and the fallen angels will be locked up,
And the people will each live for hundreds of year under the irrefutable evidence of God.

After one thousand years with Jesus, the people will become as powerful as the angels.
With such power, they will be vulnerable to arrogance and rebellion against God.

This type of rejection is not the rejection of God by immature spirits who cannot see God.

This will be more like the war of angels in Heaven over the birth of Jesus.

Led by a freed Satan, the rebellion at the end of time will be by people who know God but still will not accept God's authority.

The rebels will separate themselves from the Holy Spirit and perhaps try to seek their own spiritual union.

The people loyal to Christ must use all the power of the Holy Spirit to defeat this final opposition before God comes to live with man.

3.3 Our Lord Jesus Is the King of the Earth

Jesus our Lord has been with God since the beginning,
And Jesus has cared for the growth of humanity.
He is the rightful king who first became man as a carpenter's son.
As one of us, He passed to us God's truth in human words.

He showed people His power, but it is His teachings that transform our spirits.

Accepting the teachings of Jesus is the meaning of faith in Christ.
Following the teachings of Jesus is the meaning of discipleship.
Thousands of His own people, the sons of Israel, became His disciples.

However, many thousands more betrayed Him and allowed the Romans to crucify Him.

Even Peter, Jesus' chosen lead apostle, did not have the courage to recognize Jesus as He was about to be crucified.

What if a thousand disciples were willing to die with Jesus?

What if just one apostle was willing to carry Jesus' cross?

But, Jesus had to be crucified alone.

In His death, God was able to justly go beyond the covenant with the Jews to call all people who follow Christ His children.

In Jesus' resurrection, He carried the experiences of being man to God.

With the Father feeling what it is like to be man, He then extended to Christians the Holy Spirit.

Our king allowed His teachings to spread on its own through the sacrifices of Christians for two thousand years.

For, it is better for spirits to awaken without seeing miracles and the power of Heaven.

Such spirits will have the strength to oppose evil and reign with Jesus over the earth.

When the world has been given the opportunity to accept the Word,
When the world has been shaken to push people to the Word,
Jesus will return to reign as king.

All the people who will not believe even after the tribulation cannot spiritually awaken on their own.

The many captured by the Beasts must be forced to see the truth.

The Beasts must be thrown into the lake of fire.

The lives of people must be extended like the people before Noah.

After hundreds of years with Jesus as king, maybe people will follow the ways of God.

After hundreds of years of being compelled to treat people with gentleness and kindness, maybe people will begin to love.

After all the false kings of this world have been banished, maybe people will finally cherish the rightful king of the earth.

After one thousand years of reigning over rebellious people, the Father will come to earth to be with the Son.

The Lamb will be at the right hand of the Father as Heaven and earth become one.

The Word will continue to guide the growth of humanity in the Glorious Kingdom.

Then, leaders throughout the world will continue to bring their wealth, precious new spirits, into the golden city.

And, all will worship the Father and Son forever.

3.4 All Crown the Twenty Four Elders of Mankind

The elders surrounding God are men like us.

They embody the power and authority that God has vested in man.

They are crowned as kings.

They sit on thrones around God.

They are given the authority to rule.

These elders could be the prophets and the apostles.

We know that Enoch, Moses, and Elijah are with God.

What is important is that God has given authority to man.

What is important is that there were men through the ages who have been found by God to be able to receive authority.

These were not perfect men free from sin, but they still walked with God.

We know that Enoch was taken to God body and spirit.

We know that Moses spoke with God as a friend.

We know that Moses and Elijah walked with Jesus.

The elders around God show the spiritual potential of man.

Their authority is passed to all Christians in the first resurrection.

The elders are our brothers, joined to us by the Holy Spirit.

Their glory is our glory.

Their glory is the glory of man.

They reveal that not all men are meant to crawl into the Glorious Kingdom.

Instead, the Glorious Kingdom is created for man.

The position of man is around God.
The position of God is at the center of mankind.

All the saved surround God as the elders have surrounded God.
No one gets to the Father except through the Son,
And no one gets to the Father and Son except all the sons of God.

We, the sons of God, will be around Him, and we will be joined by
the Holy Spirit to Him.

Our elders have led the way.
They have served God's will.

Let us honor their crowns.
Let us praise their white robes.
Let us fall down and worship God as they do upon the singing of the
creatures around God.

Let us praise:
"Our Lord and God! You are worthy to receive glory, honor, and
power.
For you created all things and by your will they were given existence
and life."

3.5 Seven Torches Are the Archangels that Stand Before God

Seven are from the twelve original archangels,
And they have remained loyal to God through the ages.
Great have been their deeds in serving God's plan.

Five of their fellow archangels have fallen to jealousy when Christ presented the truth and the Holy Spirit to man.
Five led by Satan will be locked up by Jesus and the angel guarding the abyss.

The seven torches lead armies of angels to oppose the effects of evil.
The seven have and continues to battle the armies of darkness for the spirits of men.

Their endeavors helped God's plan to be fulfilled.
And, only those who are meant to be lost are lost to the darkness.

The seven watch over the universe that perhaps lay before God as a sea of glass.

The seven cause disasters to awaken the spirits of the unrepentant,
And the seven protect the spirits of children who are too young to see evil.

Michael is the leader of the seven,
And Michael battles back Satan for Satan does not follow God's will.
In Michael's battles, Satan is forced into God's plan to test the hearts of men.
Satan and his demons do not understand and accept God's plan, but they are a part of it nonetheless.

Without being connected to God through the Holy Spirit, the angels cannot feel the wonders of our Father's love.
The angels cannot hear the voice of the Lord in them.

Yet, the seven and the angels who follow the seven have served God obediently.

They are therefore worthy to stand before God as torches lighting the way.

Let us honor the seven in the Glorious Kingdom.
Let us recognize their obedience.
Let us see all the work that they have done.

Let us welcome the angels as birds sitting on the tree of humanity.

Let us one day care for them as they have protected us during the thousands of years of our spiritual development.

3.6 White Robes to the Christian Martyrs

Since the stoning of Stephen, Christians have been killed across the world for proclaiming the Word.

Some have been stoned, some have been crucified, and some have been behead by the Romans and the Jews.

False Christians have even tortured and killed other Christians for remaining faithful to their understanding of the Word.

How many Christians have died for standing by what is true during the days of the Inquisition?

How many Christians have died in the prison chambers of Islamic and pagan lands?

How many Christians have died by spears and arrows in the jungles and deserts of distant regions?

How many Christians have died from the anger of Asian empires?

How many Christians have died of disease while missioning in the most impoverished parts of the world?

How many Christians have died from disasters and accidents while trying to physically and spiritually save others?

Christian martyrs are those who have chosen to spread the Word out of love for God and all humanity.

And, they have died for the expression of their love.

The death of martyrs can be by the hands of people who fear, hate, and / or reject Christian love.

Being killed for love is what most Christians understand as martyrdom.

The death of martyrs can be by the sacrificing of one's life for the love of others.

Sometimes Christian lives must be cut short in the process of loving because the world refuses to love and refuses to care.

Finally, the death of martyrs can perhaps be by a life given to Christ's service.

For such a life, the timing and method of death, even if it is old age, is by God's will.

What matters is when their journey through persecution will be done.

Martyrs die with their faith strong and their spirits cradled by the Holy Spirit.

They leave this world ready to be received by the Lord to a place of rest after long days of work.

Upon the breaking of the fifth seal by the Lamb, Christian martyrs will be given white robes in anticipation of the first resurrection.

Before the return of Jesus, more Christians will be martyred.

During the days of tribulations, the Beasts will hunt down and try to kill those who have rejected their mark.

Then the ranks of the martyrs will be complete.

The martyrs will rise with the return of Jesus to rule the world with Jesus.

Great are the faith of those who could surrender their life for the Glorious Kingdom.

Great are the love of those who would pass the gospel to their killers.

They have gained the right to rule with Jesus.

Those who are to die at the hands of the Beasts will have risen above temptations.

They will have triumphed over evil and shown that God's children cannot be broken by Satan's forces.

They must live again to show the weak and defeated how to spiritually change under the reign of Jesus.

Their pure white robes will inspire the world,

And most of the world will finally accept the Word.

It may take hundreds of years for some,

And some will still eventually rebel.

But, the martyrs under the guidance of Jesus will lead the world to the Glorious Kingdom.

3.7 Faultless Are the Christian Virgins to Stand Before God

Throughout the history of Christianity, there have been 144,000 men who have dedicated their lives completely to God.

Their love for God has caused them to shed all worldly desires to include the physical desire for women.

Their love for all is thus a spiritual love untainted by the world.

Though they may have still sinned due to spiritual immaturity, Their spiritual dedication has made them faultless in the eyes of God.

Not all Christians vowing to be celibate can be counted among the faultless.

For, physical desires are natural when a spirit is still tied to the body.

What point is celibacy if the mind struggles with desires?

What point is celibacy if the pleasures of sex are replaced with the pleasures of power?

The 144,000 true virgins will be the first to stand with Christ on Mount Zion.

They will come with the armies of Heaven to defeat the Beasts on earth.

Their power lies in their purity of spirit.

Their spiritual dedication has allowed the Holy Spirit to work in force.

If they were spiritually immature in life, their dedication allowed the Holy Spirit to guide them to proper service.

The great service may have simply been to present the Holy Bible to non-Christians and offer caring love.

Great servants do not have to memorize the Bible.

Great servants do not have to be skilled at public speaking.

Great servants do not have to work great miracles.

They simply have to listen to the guidance from God and have the courage to follow.

We know that 144,000 have followed.

We know that 144,000 are faultless.

Their purity can shield all Christians from the corruption of evil.

Thus, even their resurrection needs to be first among the people of Christ.

3.8 Fearless Are the Lampstands that Stand Before Christ

The lampstands are two great groups of Christians that will remain true to the Word as the world is taken over by the Beasts.

They will witness the corruption of man.

They will follow the olive trees in opposing the rise of the new world order.

They are the Christians who will continue to worship in the temple of God.

They are the only ones who will be counted because the other churchgoers will have surrendered to the ways of the Beasts.

They will finish the race.

How easy it will be for people to go to church every week but then to embrace the new world order?

How easy it will be for people to accept anti-Christian political authority, scientific theories, secular ideologies, economic controls, and social standards?

What good is going to church when the churches have surrendered the world to the Beasts?

What good is going to church when the churches are in the outer courts of the temple not to be counted?

Fearless are those who will join the great churches destined to oppose the power of the Beasts.

The lampstands will present the Word in full force for 1,260 days as the Beasts takeover.

Many will eventually be killed by the Beasts, but the whole world will receive the Word.

The Word will travel across the communication networks of the world like blood across rivers of water.

The broadcast signals of regions where the Word is being presented will be blocked like the stopping of rain.

So, the people will have nothing to listen to but the Word.

The lampstands will gather many to Christ on these last days.

Many will be awakened as disasters upon disasters strike the world.

Many will be awakened when they understand what the Beasts have done.

When all who could be gathered are gathered,

When all who should be given the chance to repent has been given the chance,

The lampstands will be defeated, and their final victory lies in defeat.

When the witnessing is done, the world is prepared for the return of Christ.

3.9 Wondrous Is the Rapture on the Day of Jesus' Return

We are taught that Christians who have died and are sleeping will be brought back to life on the day of Jesus' return.

Those Christians who are still alive on that day will follow and join the dead in rising up to the clouds to be with Jesus.

This is the rapture of the Bible, and the Bible does not say that Jesus will rapture Christians before His return or return several times.

It is hard for Christians to accept that God will want us to endure the hardships of the tribulation.

Yet, our responsibilities will be great during those days.

Do we want to join Jesus as cowards fleeing a world that we have allowed to be taken over by evil?

Or, do we want to join Jesus after we are victorious in opposing the Beasts?

Given the one time strength of Christians in this world,
The rise of the Beasts will in part be a Christian failure.
Our immature understanding of the Word,
Our willingness to accept the insidious rise of dark forces,
And our vulnerability to sins have all contributed to the rising of the Beasts.

It is very clear that those who are raptured on the day of Jesus' return will be behind those who have died for Christ.

So, it is more glorious to die in our Lord's service if that is by the Lord's plan.

If it is our Lord's will that we should survive the persecution, then such is the wondrous rapture.

Those raptured will reign with Jesus for a thousand years.
Their bodies will be made perfect without dying.
They will be a part of the first resurrection.
They will be among the first to join the Glorious Kingdom.

Not all Christians who have died will necessarily be a part of the first resurrection.

Some people's faith may not have been great enough to be awakened as kings of the earth and priests of our Lord.
Yet, they will be brought back to life and saved upon the day of the Glorious Kingdom.

Not all people who will be Christians will necessarily be a part of the rapture.

Many will still gain saving grace after the return of Jesus.
They will not rule with Jesus, but they will receive the Holy Spirit upon seeing Jesus with their eyes.

In this context, those raptured are special Christians.

Not churchgoers who are still questioning their own faith.

Not churchgoers who do not care about the world.

Not churchgoers who are afraid to give-up their life for God.

The Christians who have survived as a part of the lampstands are prepared to rule with Christ.

They will ascend to the clouds to join Jesus.

Their faith has remained firm.

Their love has remained true.

Their hope will be rewarded.

3.10 Glorious Is the New Heaven and New Earth

When this world has satisfied its purpose for growing the spirits of men,

When Satan has been given his last chance to test the hearts of men,
When God the Father is ready to judge His creation to cast out all the chaff.

The old heaven and earth will disappear to make way for the New Heaven and New Earth.

So many battles have been fought between God's people and the armies of darkness in the old heaven and old earth.

Angels had been cast out of Heaven.

Beasts will be cast out of earth.

Finally, the old earth will be scarred with Satan's last battle,
The battle in which his followers in Gog and Magog will surround God's people at the beloved city,
The battle in which fire from Heaven will destroy those of the last rebellion.

How could those who have been with Jesus for one thousand years still rebel?

How could Satan and his fallen angels who have seen the power of God still rebel?

The New Heaven and New Earth will be created for all in the Book of Life.

On the Day of Judgment, all the dead who are not a part of the first resurrection will be brought back to life.

On the Day of Judgment, all who's names are not in the Book of Life will be cast into the lake of fire.

Only Christians will inherit the New Heaven and New Earth.

Only Christians will enter the Glorious Kingdom.

Those who have followed the Word and died with faith will enter the Kingdom.

Those who have received the Word after death and can be judged to be Christians based on the lives they lived will enter the Kingdom.

Those who are among God's people during Satan's last rebellion will enter the Kingdom.

There will be no seas in the New Heaven and New Earth, because the only water needed by Christians will be the flowing water of life. There will be no seas because the land will not need to be divided. There will be no seas because the seas will have no more dead to claim.

If we see the beauty of the current earth and universe,
Then we can only image the beauty of the New Heaven and New Earth.

What wonders will we behold?

What majesty will we witness?

What will God do when evil is defeated and cast away?

3.11 Overwhelming Is the New Jerusalem

As seen by John, the holy city of God unites the New Heaven and New Earth.

The city is where God and Christ His Lamb will live with man. Those in the Book of Life will live in the holy city with our Lord.

The city is based on the foundation of the twelve apostles. Each foundation stone with the name of an apostle is of a different gemstone to reflect the different qualities of the apostles.

The first foundation stone is jasper, and the city walls will be made from jasper, which gleamed like the face of God. Thus, we can think of the first stone as representing Peter the foundation for the Body of Christ.

Upon entering the twelve gates of pearl to the holy city, everything is composed of pure gold.

The gates are cared for by angels and dedicated each to a tribe of Israel.

Though the gates are never closed, only those in the Book of Life can enter from the North, East, South, and West.

Those born after the Day of Judgment could be brought into the holy city as the wealth of nations if they are spiritually true Christians. Those born after the Day of Judgment can be blocked from entering the city if they do shameful things and tell lies.

From God's people that triumphed over Satan, nations may still emerge,
And new spirits may still be produced for the Glorious Kingdom.

From all four directions, people will come and enter through one of the three gates at each wall.

Then, they will walk down streets of gold to worship God and His Lamb.

They can worship anywhere, for the Father and Son will live among men.

The world will be God's temple for there will be no place where man can embrace evil and hide from God.

The light of God will replace the sun and the moon,
And this light will provide spiritual warmth.

Yearn not for mansions in the holy city, for the greatest honor is to live in the presence of God.

Yearn not for rewards in the Glorious Kingdom, for our reward is simply to the limits of our spiritual quality.

For spirits that think of gold as God's reward, then they will be sitting on mounds of gold.

For spirits that think of God's love as reward, then they will be bathed in God's love.

Each will be joyous, but who will have the greatest reward?

I will trade all the mounds of gold for days of walking and talking with the Father and Son as my old friend.

3.12 Healing Is the River with the Water of Life

As seen by John, the water of life flows as a sparkling crystal clear river from the throne of God and Jesus.

The water runs down the middle of golden streets in the holy city for the Glorious Kingdom.

The tree of life stands on both sides of the river and bears fruits once each month for twelve times each year.

The flaming sword and creatures that guarded the tree of life since the sin of Adam and Eve can no longer be seen.

Thus, the leaves from the tree of life can be used to heal the nations. And, all the people who have not been thrown into the lake of fire will receive from the tree and water of life to live forever.

The water of life is the pure power of existence.
It restores and enforces on the fabric of life.

With the tree of life, Adam lived in Eden for countless years as an innocent child with no spiritual awareness of evil.
With the tree of life, we the people of Christ will live for all times as spiritually mature adults,
Adults who have accepted God's grace and won the battle over evil.

We will share in the tree of life, which delivers to us the power in the water of life.

Fruits from the tree will only be needed once per month in the timeframe of God.

As one day for God is over a thousand mortal lifetimes,
We can only imagine how long we will live in the Glorious Kingdom.

We are given perspective on how short are mortal lives.
We are given understanding on how quickly Jesus will return.
We are given awareness on how limited the chance will be for
rebellious people to transform under Jesus' reign.

The future of all creation will be determined in the blink of an eye.
The future of all creation will be by God's plan.

Rejoice in the Book of Life.
Rejoice in the water and tree of life.
Rejoice in the family of God.
Rejoice in the unity of the Holy Spirit.

Rejoice in life everlasting with the Father, the Son, and all the
children.

Going Home

Brothers and sisters in Christ,
Remember that our faith must endure until we reach the Glorious Kingdom.

Remember that love for God and one another is the foundation of our faith.

Evil is ever persistent in attacking our faith.

Those who belong to evil will try to marginalize us and isolate us.

When our voices cannot be silenced,

When our deeds cannot be ignored,

The armies of darkness will battle against us.

This book is an expression of my love for you and for our Lord.

This book is by the power of the Holy Spirit and the truth of Christ.

I merely repeat the words of the prophets.

I merely follow the footsteps of the apostles.

When you are alone and afraid,

When you are confused and doubtful,

When you are hurt and in pain,

Know that our Lord is with you.

Know that the love and prayers of your brothers and sisters are with you.

If we cannot work together in this world,

Our efforts are still coordinated within our Lord's plan.

If we cannot find one another in this world,

We will meet in the Glorious Kingdom.

The hard journey home awaits us.

At the home of our Father we will find love, joy, and peace. Amen.