

## Biblical Outline For The Study of Wisdom - Understanding - Knowledge<sup>(1)</sup>

### Our New Testament Text Scriptures

*Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord, (3) According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue: (4) Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust. 2Pe 1:2-4 KJV*

### Old Testament Scripture

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: *because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children. Hos 4:6 KJV*

We need **knowledge** of the exceeding great and precious promises of the New Testament.

#### Old Testament - Great and Precious Promises

I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore **choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live:** (Deu 30:19 KJV)

#### New Testament - Exceeding Great and Precious Promises

Blessed the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, **who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly in Christ:** (Eph 1:3 KJV)

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#### Old Testament - Great and Precious Promises

And it **shall come** to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe and **to do** all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth: (Deu 28:1 KJV)

And all these blessings **shall come** on thee, and overtake thee, **if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God.** (Deu 28:2 KJV)

#### New Testament - Exceeding Great and Precious Promises

1Co 3:21-23 KJV **Therefore let no man glory in men. For all things are yours; (22) Whether Paul, or Apollos, or Cephas, or the world, or life, or death, or things present, or things to come; all are yours; (23) And ye are Christ's; and Christ is God's.**

He that spared not his own Son, but delivered **him up** for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things? (Rom 8:32 KJV)

## Old Testament - Great and Precious Promises

But **he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him;** and **with his stripes we are healed.**

(Isa 53:5 KJV)

## New Testament - Exceeding Great and Precious Promises

**Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.**

(1Pe 2:24 KJV)

### Why Jesus was preaching about a knowledge of the truth.

1. Jesus came to the earth to bring a knowledge of the truth *because the whole world has been lied to.*

Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that **I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice.** (Joh 18:37 KJV)

**Pilate said to Him, Then You are a King? Jesus answered, You say it!** [You speak correctly!] **For I am a King.** [Certainly I am a King!] **This is why I was born, and for this I have come into the world, to bear witness to the Truth. Everyone who is of the Truth [who is a friend of the Truth, who belong to the Truth] hears and listens to My voice.** (Joh 18:37 AMP)

And the great dragon was cast out, **that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world:** he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. (Rev 12:9 KJV)

Rev 18:11-13 KJV **And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buyeth their merchandise any more: (12) The merchandise of** gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and fine linen, and purple, and silk, and scarlet, and all thyine wood, and all manner vessels of ivory, and all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble, (13) **And** cinnamon, and odours, and ointments, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and **slaves, and souls of men.**

<b>Religious Babylon (Revelation 17)</b>	<b>Commercial Babylon (Revelation 18)</b>
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(NOTE) The New Testament lets us know that religion is a terrible thing and not to be protected but condemned

Religion and Christianity **are not** synonymous!

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The word Christian was originally use in the time of scripture to identify followers or believers in the Lord Jesus the Christ. The original followers of Jesus called each other and identified themselves as being of the “Way”.

Jesus said to him, **I am the Way** and the Truth and the Life; no one comes **to the Father** except by (through) Me. Joh 14:6 AMP

And desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that **if he found any of this way**, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem. (3) And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven: Act 9:2-3 KJV

## Acts 9:2

Of this way (τη?ς ο?δου?)

Rev., more correctly, “*the way.*” A common expression in the Acts for the Christian religion: “the characteristic direction of life as determined by faith on Jesus Christ” (Meyer). See [Act 19:9](#); [Act 22:4](#); [Act 24:22](#). For the fuller expression of the idea, see [Act 16:17](#); [Act 18:25](#).

**Act 11:26 KJV** And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the church, and taught much people. And **the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.**

But now, after that ye have known God, or rather are known of God, how turn ye again to the weak and beggarly elements, whereunto ye desire again to be in bondage? **Gal 4:9 KJV**

Now, however, that you have come to be acquainted with and understand and know [the true] God, or rather to be understood and known by God, how can you turn back again to the weak and beggarly and worthless elementary things [**of all religions before Christ came**], whose slaves you once more want to become? **Gal 4:9 AMP**

**RELIGION**, n. relig'ion. [L. religio, from religo, **to bind anew**; **re** and **ligo**, to bind. This word seems originally to have signified an oath or vow to the gods, or the obligation of such an oath or vow, which was held very sacred by the Romans.]

Why did **Saint Peter and Saint Jude and the Apostle Paul** all preach and teach about false teacher and believers being merchandised by men and/or religion?

## New Covenant revelation and instruction by the Apostle Peter

But there were false prophets also among the people, **even as there shall be false teachers among you**, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. (2Pe 2:1 KJV)

And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom **the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.** (2Pe 2:2 KJV)

And through covetousness shall they **with feigned words make merchandise of you**: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not. (2Pe 2:3 KJV)

## New Covenant revelation and instructions by the Apostle Paul

**Now** therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God; And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner *stone*; In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: In whom **ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.** (Ephesians 2:19-22 KJV)

**But Christ as a son over his own house; whose house are we**, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end. (Hebrews 3:6 KJV)

**Jesus teaching Old Covenant believers.**

Saying unto them, **It is written**, My house is the house of prayer: but ye have made it a den of thieves. (Luke 19:46 KJV)

## New Covenant revelation and instruction by the Apostle Paul

And that **because of false brethren** unawares brought in, who came in privily **to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus**, **that they might bring us into bondage**: (Gal 2:4 KJV)

**Beware of dogs**, beware of evil workers, beware of the concision. (Philippians 3:2 KJV)

**Watch out for those dogs**, those men who do evil, those mutilators of the flesh. Php 3:2 NIV

## Revelation of Jesus

For without **are dogs**, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie. (Revelation 22:15 KJV)

## Prophecy concerning Jesus

For **dogs** have compassed me: the assembly of the wicked have inclosed me: they pierced my hands and my feet. (Psalms 22:16 KJV)

Deliver my soul from the sword; my darling from the **power of the dog.** (Psalms 22:20 KJV)

## Jesus teaching Old Covenant believers.

Give not that which is holy **unto the dogs**, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you. (Matthew 7:6 KJV)

## New Covenant revelation and instruction by the Apostle Paul

**Who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament**; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, **but the spirit giveth life.** 2Co 3:6 KJV

But **though I be rude in speech, yet not in knowledge**; but we have been thoroughly made manifest among you in all things. (2 Corinthians 11:6 KJV)

For such **are false apostles**, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. **Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.** (2 Corinthians 11:13-15 KJV)

## New Covenant revelation and instruction by St Jude

Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, **it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.** (4) **For there are certain men crept in unawares**, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, **ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.** Jud 1:3-4 KJV

**I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this**, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not. Jud 1:5 KJV

But, **beloved, remember ye the words which were spoken before of the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ**; (18) How that **they told you there should be mockers in the last time**, who should walk after their own ungodly lusts. (19) These be they who separate themselves, sensual, having not the Spirit. (20) **But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost**, Jud 1:17-20 KJV

**Now** unto him that is able **to keep you from falling**, and to present **you** faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, (25) **To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever.** Amen. Jud 1:24-25 KJV

The goal of the false teachers is to keep the followers, disciple, the believers in Jesus being the only way to the Father, confused and double minded, ever learning and **never knowing the truth.**

**Jesus said** to him, **I am the Way** and the Truth and the Life; no one comes **to the Father** except by **(through) Me.** Joh 14:6 AMP

Joh 1:18 KJV **No man** hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath **declared** *him*.

**exe<sup>-</sup>geomai**, *ex-ayg-eh'-om-ahee*, From G1537 and G2233; to *consider out* (aloud), that is, *rehearse, unfold*: - declare, tell.

**We, the believers, need to realize that we are under a New Covenant and stop letting anyone minister the Old Covenant to us in any form or fashion not in line with the New Covenant's directions for its use!**

**Now these things are examples (warnings and admonitions) for us not to desire or crave or covet or lust after evil and carnal things as they did.**

[Num. 11:4, 34.] 1Co 10:6 AMP

2Co 3:3-6 KJV *Forasmuch as ye are* manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in fleshy tables of the heart. (4) And such trust have we through Christ to God-ward: (5) Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; **but our sufficiency is of God**; (6) **Who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.**

2Co 3:6 AMP [It is He] **Who has qualified us [making us to be fit and worthy and sufficient] as ministers and dispensers of a new covenant [of salvation through Christ], not [ministers] of the letter (of legally written code) but of the Spirit; for the code [of the Law] kills, but the [Holy] Spirit makes alive.** [Jer. 31:31.]

2Co 3:7-18 MSG **The Government of Death, its constitution chiseled on stone tablets**, had a dazzling inaugural. Moses' face as he delivered the tablets was so bright that day (even though it would fade soon enough) that the people of Israel could no more look right at him than stare into the sun. (8) How much more dazzling, then, **the Government of Living Spirit?** (9) **If the Government of Condemnation was impressive, how about this Government of Affirmation?** (10) **Bright as that old government was, it would look downright dull alongside this new one.** (11) **If that makeshift arrangement impressed us, how much more this brightly shining government installed for eternity?** (12) With that kind of hope to excite us, nothing holds us back. (13) Unlike Moses, we have nothing to hide. Everything is out in the open with us. He wore a veil so the children of Israel wouldn't notice that the glory was fading away-- (14) and they didn't notice. **They didn't notice it then and they don't notice it now, don't notice that there's nothing left behind that veil.** (15) **Even today when the proclamations of that old, bankrupt government are read out, they can't see through it. Only Christ can get rid of the veil so they can see for themselves that there's nothing there.** (16) **Whenever, though, they turn to face God as Moses did, God removes the veil and there they are-- face to face!** (17) **They suddenly recognize that God is a living, personal presence, not a piece of chiseled stone. And when God is personally present, a living Spirit, that old, constricting legislation is recognized as obsolete. We're free of it!** (18) **All of us! Nothing between us and God, our faces shining with the brightness of his face.** And so **we are** transfigured **much like the Messiah, our lives gradually becoming brighter and more beautiful as God enters our lives and we become like him.**

2Co 4:17 AMP For **our light, momentary affliction** (this slight distress of the passing hour) **is ever more and more abundantly preparing and producing and achieving for us an everlasting weight of glory [beyond all measure, excessively surpassing all comparisons and all calculations, a vast and transcendent glory and blessedness never to cease!]**,

Heb 8:6-13 KJV But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises. (7) For if that first *covenant* had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second. (8) For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah: (9) Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my covenant, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord. (10) For this *is* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people: (11) And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest. (12) For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more. (13) In that he saith, A new *covenant*, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old *is* ready to vanish away.

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Eph 2:4-10 KJV But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, (5) Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) (6) And hath raised *us* up together, and made *us* sit together in heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus: (7) That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in *his* kindness toward us through Christ Jesus. (8) For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: *it is* the gift of God: (9) Not of works, lest any man should boast. (10) For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

The translation reads, "By grace have you been completely saved, with the present result that you are in a saved state of being." The perfect tense speaks of the *existence* of finished results in present time. But Paul is not satisfied with showing the *existence* of finished results in present time. He wants to show the *persistence* of results *through* present time. So he uses the verb "to be" in the present tense which gives durative force to the finished results. **Thus, the full translation is, "By grace you have been saved in past time completely, with the result that you are in a state of salvation which persists through present time." The unending state of the believer in salvation could not have been put in stronger or clearer language. The finished results of the past act of salvation are always present with the reader. His present state of salvation is dependent upon one thing and one thing only, his past appropriation of the Lord Jesus as Saviour. His initial act of faith brought him salvation in its three aspects, justification, the removal of the guilt and penalty of sin and the impartation of a positive righteousness, Jesus Christ Himself, an act which occurs at the moment of believing, and a position that remains static for time and eternity; sanctification, positional, the act of the Holy Spirit**

taking the believing sinner out of the first Adam with his (Adam's) sin and death, and placing him in the Last Adam (Jesus Christ) with His righteousness and life, an act that occurs at the moment of believing; *progressive*, the process by which the Holy Spirit eliminates sin from the experience of the believer and produces His fruit, gradually conforming him into the image of the Lord Jesus, a process that goes on all through the life of a Christian and continues all through eternity, and which never is completed, for a finite creature can never equal an infinite one in any quality; and *glorification*, the act of the Holy Spirit, transforming the mortal bodies of believers into glorified, perfect bodies at the Rapture of the Church. The believer has had his *justification*, he is having his *sanctification*, and he is yet to have his *glorification*. The earnest of the Spirit guarantees to him his glorification.

"Hath raised us up together" is *sunegeirō*. Expositors translates, "Raised us with Him," and comments: "That is, to life now, in a present spiritual sense. The *sunegeirō* expresses the definite idea of *resurrection*, and primarily that of physical resurrection. The introduction of this term and the following makes it not improbable that both ideas, that of the present moral resurrection and that of the future bodily resurrection, were in Paul's mind, and that he did not sharply distinguish between them, but thought of them as one great gift of life."

"Made us sit together" is the translation of *sunkathizō*, which Expositors translates, *Seated us* (or, enthroned us) *with Him* in the *heavenlies*, and comments: "**Made us sharers with Him in dignity and dominion, so that even now, and in foretaste of our future exaltation, our life and thought are raised to the heavenlies where He reigns.**"

As to the phrase "**in Christ Jesus**," the same authority says: "Not the 'seated us with Him' only, but the whole statement is qualified by this. **This quickening, this resurrection, this seating of us with Him take effect in so far as we are in Him as our Representative, having our life and our completeness in our Head.**"

Translation: *But God, being wealthy in the sphere of mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, and we being dead with respect to our trespasses, made us alive together with the Christ, by grace have you been saved completely in past time, with the present result that you are in a state of salvation which persists through present time, and raised us with Him and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus.'*

### **Additional Scriptures added 06/02/17**

(1 Corinthians 15:34 AMP) **Awake [from your drunken stupor and return] to sober sense and your right minds, and sin no more. For some of you have not the knowledge of God [you are utterly and willfully and disgracefully ignorant, and continue to be so, lacking the sense of God's presence and all true knowledge of Him]. I say this to your shame.**



## Why study

We are Instructed to STUDY in:

(1 Thessalonians 4:11 KJV) And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you;

(2 Timothy 2:15 KJV) Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

## The need for study is to cure ignorance.

(Romans 11:25 KJV) For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in.

(1 Corinthians 10:1 KJV) Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea;

(1 Corinthians 12:1 KJV) Now concerning spiritual *gifts*, brethren, I would not have you ignorant.

(2 Corinthians 1:8 KJV) For we would not, brethren, have you ignorant of our trouble which came to us in Asia, that we were pressed out of measure, above strength, insomuch that we despaired even of life:

(Romans 1:13 KJV) Now I would not have you ignorant, brethren, that oftentimes I purposed to come unto you, (but was let hitherto,) that I might have some fruit among you also, even as among other Gentiles.

(1 Thessalonians 4:13 KJV) But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.

(Romans 10:3 KJV) For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God.

(2 Corinthians 2:11 KJV) Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices.

(2 Peter 3:8 KJV) But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day *is* with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

## We are also commanded and informed concerning ignorance:

(2 Peter 3:5 KJV) **For this they willingly are ignorant** of, that **by the word of God** the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:

(2 Peter 3:5 AMP) **For they willfully overlook and forget** this [fact], that the heavens [came into] existence long ago **by the word of God**, and the earth also which was formed out of water and by means of water,

(1 Corinthians 14:38 KJV) **But if any man be ignorant, let him be ignorant.**

## The solution to ignorance:

(Jeremiah 15:16 KJV) Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by thy name, O LORD God of hosts.

(Proverbs 18:20 AMP) A man's [moral] self shall be filled with the fruit of his mouth; and with the consequence of his words he must be satisfied [whether good or evil].

(Proverbs 18:21 AMP) Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and they who indulge in it shall eat the fruit of it [for death or life]. [Matt. 12:37.]

(Acts 4:13 KJV) Now **when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus.**

(Acts 4:13 AMP) Now **when they saw the boldness and unfettered eloquence of Peter and John and perceived that they were unlearned and untrained in the schools [common men with no educational advantages], they marveled; and they recognized that they had been with Jesus.**

## Additional Scriptures added 06/09/17

Duty of the priest in the Old Covenant:

Deu 21:5 ASV And the priests the sons of Levi shall come near; for them Jehovah thy God hath chosen to minister unto him, and to bless in the name of Jehovah; and according to their word shall every controversy and every stroke be.

Deu 21:5 MSG The Levitical priests will then step up. GOD has chosen them to serve him in these matters by settling legal disputes and violent crimes and by pronouncing blessings in GOD's name.

New Testament Ministry

## Priest and Kings

1Pe 2:9 KJV But ye *are* a chosen generation, a **royal priesthood**, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

1Pe 2:9 BBE But you are a special people, a holy nation, **priests and kings**, a people given up completely to God, so that you may make clear the virtues of him who took you out of the dark into the light of heaven.

Rev 1:6 KJV And hath made us **kings and priests** unto God and his Father; to him *be* glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Rev 5:10 KJV And hast made us unto our God **kings and priests**: and we shall reign on the earth.

## Duties of the Priest

Deu 21:5 ASV **And the priests** the sons of Levi shall come near; for them Jehovah thy God hath chosen to minister unto him, and to bless in the name of Jehovah; **and according to their word shall every controversy and every stroke be.**

## Duties of the King

Rom 5:17 KJV For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness **shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.**)

Job 22:28 KJV **Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee:** and the light shall shine upon thy ways.

Mat 21:22 KJV **And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.**

Isa 45:11 KJV Thus saith the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, and his Maker, Ask me of things to come concerning my sons, **and concerning the work of my hands command ye me.**

*(1) The colored highlights have been added by Pastor Rich Stewart and are for study purposes only.*

**\*Green** denotes the actions of **Man**.

**\*\*Purple** denotes the actions of **God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit**.

**\*\*\* Blue, Red, and Yellow Highlighting** and **Bold** are for emphasis and the **“Tense”** of words.