

WE'RE SAVED ! ! ! ...

... NOW WHAT?

Having believed and trusted God for salvation, we accept Jesus Christ as Savior, Lord and Master. This new relationship will be evidenced in our lives by godly character, genuine love for our brothers/sisters in Christ and works of service (good deeds). God's glory and honor will be our primary concern. As His servants, our lives will bear good fruit and attract others to Him. As others respond, we become responsible to nurture them in the Lord.

For a more complete treatment of this subject, see "[So We're Saved ... Now What?](#)" posted on this site.

Savior *plus*, or no Savior at all

He is Lord; Lord of all; OUR Lord!

- Lk 2:11 Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord.
- Lk 1:43 But why am I so favored, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?
- Jn 13:13 "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am.
- Rom 1:4 and who through the Spirit of holiness was declared with power to be the Son of God by his resurrection from the dead: Jesus Christ our Lord.
- Eph 3:11 according to his eternal purpose which he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- Jn 20:28 Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"
- 2Co 1:3a Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, (Eph 1:3a; 1Pe 1:3a)
- 1Ti 1:12a I thank Christ Jesus our Lord,
- Eph 6:24 Grace to all who love our Lord Jesus Christ with an undying love.
- 2Pe 1:2 Grace and peace be yours in abundance through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.
- Phl 3:8 What is more, I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord,
- Phl 3:20 But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ,
- 1Th 5:9 For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 2Ti 1:8a So do not be ashamed to testify about our Lord,
- Jude 25 to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen.
- Ps 24:1 The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it;
- Ps 97:5 The mountains melt like wax before the LORD, before the Lord of all the earth.

Jos 3:11 See, the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the earth will go into the Jordan ahead of you.

Zec 4:14 So he said, "These are the two who are anointed to serve the Lord of all the earth."

Act 17:24a "The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth

Act 10:36 You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, telling the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all.

Rom 10:12 For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile-the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him,

Ps 136:3a Give thanks to the Lord of lords:

Dt 10:17a For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome,

1Ti 6:15b -God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords,

Rev 17:14 They will make war against the Lamb, but the Lamb will overcome them because he is Lord of lords and King of kings-and with him will be his called, chosen and faithful followers."

1Th 3:13 May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.

1Th 5:23 May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

(Mt 24:42 "Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come.)

Jude 21 Keep yourselves in God's love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life.

2Pe 1:11 and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Rom 7:25a Thanks be to God-through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Rev 4:11a "You are worthy, our Lord and God,

Rev 19:6b "Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns.

He is Master; we are His servants

Mt 23:8 "But you are not to be called 'Rabbi,' for you have only one Master and you are all brothers.

Lk 17:13 and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!"

2Ti 2:21 If a man cleanses himself from the latter, he will be an instrument for noble purposes, made holy, useful to the Master and prepared to do any good work.

Mt 25:21a "His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant!

Lk 12:35-38 "Be dressed ready for service and keep your lamps burning, ³⁶like men waiting for their master to return from a wedding banquet, so that when he comes and knocks they can immediately open the door for him. ³⁷It will be good for those servants whose master finds them watching when he comes. I tell you the truth, he will dress himself to serve, will have them recline at the table and will come and wait on them. ³⁸It will be good for those servants whose master finds them ready, even if he comes in the second or third watch of the night.

- Lk 12:42-43 The Lord answered, "Who then is the faithful and wise manager, whom the master puts in charge of his servants to give them their food allowance at the proper time? ⁴³It will be good for that servant whom the master finds doing so when he returns.
- Rom 6:14 For sin shall not be your master, because you are not under law, but under grace.
- Rom 6:16 Don't you know that when you offer yourselves to someone to obey him as slaves, you are slaves to the one whom you obey-whether you are slaves to sin, which leads to death, or to obedience, which leads to righteousness?
- 2Pe 2:19b for a man is a slave to whatever has mastered him.
- Mt 10:24-25a "A student is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. ²⁵It is enough for the student to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master.
- Eph 6:9 And masters, treat your slaves in the same way. Do not threaten them, since you know that he who is both their Master and yours is in heaven, and there is no favoritism with him.
- Col 4:1 Masters, provide your slaves with what is right and fair, because you know that you also have a Master in heaven.

We belong to Him

- Rom 1:6 And you also are among those who are called to belong to Jesus Christ.
- Rom 7:4 So, my brothers, you also died to the law through the body of Christ, that you might belong to another, to him who was raised from the dead, in order that we might bear fruit to God.
- Rom 14:8 If we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord.
- Jn 3:29a The bride belongs to the bridegroom.
- 1Co 15:22-23 For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. ²³But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him.
- Gal 3:29 If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.
- Gal 5:24 Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires.
- Jn 8:47a He who belongs to God hears what God says.
- Mk 9:41 I tell you the truth, anyone who gives you a cup of water in my name because you belong to Christ will certainly not lose his reward.
- 1Co 7:39 A woman is bound to her husband as long as he lives. But if her husband dies, she is free to marry anyone she wishes, but he must belong to the Lord.
- Jam 2:7 Are they not the ones who are slandering the noble name of him to whom you belong?
- 1Pe 2:9 But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

Called to godliness

- 2Pe 3:11b what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives
- 1Th 4:7 For God did not call us to be impure, but to live a holy life.
- 2Ti 1:9a who has saved us and called us to a holy life-

- Tit 2:11-12 For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men. ¹²It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age,
- Ps 106:3 Blessed are they who maintain justice, who constantly do what is right.
- Rom 12:17b Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everybody.
- 1Ti 2:2b that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.
- 1Ti 4:8 For physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come.
- 2Pe 1:5-6 For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; ⁶and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness;
- Phl 1:27a Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ.
- Eph 4:1 As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received.
- Jam 2:12 Speak and act as those who are going to be judged by the law that gives freedom,
- Jam 5:12 Above all, my brothers, do not swear-not by heaven or by earth or by anything else. Let your "Yes" be yes, and your "No," no, or you will be condemned.
- Mt 5:37 Simply let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No'; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.
- 1Co 4:2 Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful.
- Heb 4:14 Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess.
- Heb 10:23 Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.
- Col 3:1-2 Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.
- 1Jn 1:6-7 If we claim to have fellowship with him yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth. ⁷But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.
- 1Jn 2:6 Whoever claims to live in him must walk as Jesus did.
- Jn 9:31 We know that God does not listen to sinners. He listens to the godly man who does his will.
- Eph 5:15-17 Be very careful, then, how you live-not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. ¹⁷Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is.
- 1Th 5:5-6 You are all sons of the light and sons of the day. We do not belong to the night or to the darkness. ⁶So then, let us not be like others, who are asleep, but let us be alert and self-controlled.
- Jam 4:7-8a Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸Come near to God and he will come near to you.
- 1Pe 2:11 Dear friends, I urge you, as aliens and strangers in the world, to abstain from sinful desires, which war against your soul.
- 1Pe 2:1 Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind.
- Eph 5:3-4 But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God's holy people.

- ⁴Nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving.
- Jam 1:21 Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.
- Gal 5:16-17 So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature. ¹⁷For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature. They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want.
- Rom 6:12 Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires.
- Jam 1:26 If anyone considers himself religious and yet does not keep a tight rein on his tongue, he deceives himself and his religion is worthless.
- Jam 3:9-10 With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in God's likeness. ¹⁰Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers, this should not be.
- 1Ti 6:11 But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness.
- Jn 16:1 "All this I have told you so that you will not go astray.

God's gracious and complete provision for godliness

- 2Pe 1:3-4 His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. ⁴Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature and escape the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.
- Eph 1:3 Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.
- 1Co 1:5 For in him you have been enriched in every way-in all your speaking and in all your knowledge-
- 1Co 1:7 Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed.

Loving our brothers and sisters in Christ

- Jn 13:34-35 "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ³⁵By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."
- Jn 15:12 My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.
- Jn 15:17 This is my command: Love each other.
- Rom 12:10 Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves.
- Rom 13:8 Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for he who loves his fellowman has fulfilled the law.
- Gal 5:13b-14 serve one another in love. ¹⁴The entire law is summed up in a single command: "Love your neighbor as yourself."
- Eph 4:2 Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.
- 1Jn 4:7-12 Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him.

¹⁰This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.

- 1Th 3:12 May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you.
- 1Th 4:9-10 Now about brotherly love we do not need to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love each other. ¹⁰And in fact, you do love all the brothers throughout Macedonia. Yet we urge you, brothers, to do so more and more.
- 2Th 1:3 We ought always to thank God for you, brothers, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more, and the love every one of you has for each other is increasing.
- 2Jn 5 And now, dear lady, I am not writing you a new command but one we have had from the beginning. I ask that we love one another.
- 1Jn 3:11 This is the message you heard from the beginning: We should love one another.
- 1Jn 3:16-18 This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers. ¹⁷If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? ¹⁸Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth.
- 1Jn 3:23 And this is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as he commanded us.
- 1Jn 4:21 And he has given us this command: Whoever loves God must also love his brother.
- 1Jn 5:1b-2 everyone who loves the father loves his child as well. ²This is how we know that we love the children of God: by loving God and carrying out his commands.
- (1Jn 3:10b Anyone who does not do what is right is not a child of God; nor is anyone who does not love his brother.)
- (1Jn 3:14 We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love our brothers. Anyone who does not love remains in death.)
- (1Jn 4:20 If anyone says, "I love God," yet hates his brother, he is a liar. For anyone who does not love his brother, whom he has seen, cannot love God, whom he has not seen.)
- 1Pe 1:22 Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for your brothers, love one another deeply, from the heart.
- 1Pe 3:8 Finally, all of you, live in harmony with one another; be sympathetic, love as brothers, be compassionate and humble.
- 1Pe 4:8 Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.

Good works and good doing

- Eph 2:10 For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.
- 1Th 1:3 We continually remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 2Ti 2:20-21 In a large house there are articles not only of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay; some are for noble purposes and some for ignoble. ²¹If a man

- cleanses himself from the latter, he will be an instrument for noble purposes, made holy, useful to the Master and prepared to do any good work.
- Tit 3:8 This is a trustworthy saying. And I want you to stress these things, so that those who have trusted in God may be careful to devote themselves to doing what is good. These things are excellent and profitable for everyone.
- Tit 3:14 Our people must learn to devote themselves to doing what is good, in order that they may provide for daily necessities and not live unproductive lives.
- 1Ti 2:9-10 I also want women to dress modestly, with decency and propriety, not with braided hair or gold or pearls or expensive clothes, ¹⁰but with good deeds, appropriate for women who profess to worship God.
- 1Ti 5:9-10 No widow may be put on the list of widows unless she is over sixty, has been faithful to her husband, ¹⁰and is well known for her good deeds, such as bringing up children, showing hospitality, washing the feet of the saints, helping those in trouble and devoting herself to all kinds of good deeds.
- 1Ti 5:25 In the same way, good deeds are obvious, and even those that are not cannot be hidden.
- 1Ti 6:18 Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share.
- 1Pe 3:13-14 Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good? ¹⁴But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. "Do not fear what they fear; do not be frightened."
- Heb 10:24 And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.
- Heb 13:16 And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

God's provision and equipping for good works

- 1Co 12:4-7 There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. ⁵There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. ⁶There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men. ⁷Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.
- 2Ti 3:16-17 All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.
- 2Th 2:16-17 May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, ¹⁷encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word.
- 2Co 1:3-4 Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, ⁴who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God.
- 2Co 9:8 And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

No action/wrong action

- Jam 2:14-17 What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? ¹⁵Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. ¹⁶If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well

fed," but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? ¹⁷In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.

Jam 2:26

As the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without deeds is dead.

Tit 1:16

They claim to know God, but by their actions they deny him. They are detestable, disobedient and unfit for doing anything good.

Right action

Jam 2:21-22 Was not our ancestor Abraham considered righteous for what he did when he offered his son Isaac on the altar? ²²You see that his faith and his actions were working together, and his faith was made complete by what he did.

Jam 3:13

Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show it by his good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom.

2Co 9:2

For I know your eagerness to help, and I have been boasting about it to the Macedonians, telling them that since last year you in Achaia were ready to give; and your enthusiasm has stirred most of them to action.

1Jn 3:18

Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth.

Pr 20:11

Even a child is known by his actions, by whether his conduct is pure and right.

Right thinking

Eph 4:23

to be made new in the attitude of your minds;

Col 3:2

Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

Rom 8:5b

but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires.

1Pe 1:13

Therefore, prepare your minds for action; be self-controlled; set your hope fully on the grace to be given you when Jesus Christ is revealed.

Heb 3:1

Therefore, holy brothers, who share in the heavenly calling, fix your thoughts on Jesus, the apostle and high priest whom we confess.

2Co 10:5b

and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.

2Pe 3:1

Dear friends, this is now my second letter to you. I have written both of them as reminders to stimulate you to wholesome thinking.

Rom 12:3b

Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you.

Phl 4:8

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable-if anything is excellent or praiseworthy-think about such things.

All for the glory and honor of God

1Co 10:31

So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.

Col 3:17

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Col 3:23-24

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, ²⁴since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

Eph 6:7

Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not men,

Pr 16:3

Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and your plans will succeed.

Jn 4:34

"My food," said Jesus, "is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work.

Jn 5:30c

for I seek not to please myself but him who sent me.

- Jn 12:27-28a "Now my heart is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name!"
- Lk 17:10 So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty.'"
- Rom 15:17 Therefore I glory in Christ Jesus in my service to God.

Be able to exhort as Paul did

- 1Co 11:1 Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ.
- Phl 3:17a Join with others in following my example, brothers,
- Phl 4:9 Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me-put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.
- (Phl 3:12-14 Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. ¹³Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.)
- 1Co 4:16 Therefore I urge you to imitate me.

Bearing good fruit

- Gal 5:22-25 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. ²⁴Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. ²⁵Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.
- Jn 15:4-5 Remain in me, and I will remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. ⁵"I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.
- Jn 15:8 This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.
- Col 1:10 And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God,
- Mt 7:16-20 By their fruit you will recognize them. Do people pick grapes from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? ¹⁷Likewise every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. ¹⁸A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot bear good fruit. ¹⁹Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. ²⁰Thus, by their fruit you will recognize them. (by your fruit they will recognize you)
- Mt 12:33 "Make a tree good and its fruit will be good, or make a tree bad and its fruit will be bad, for a tree is recognized by its fruit.
- Rom 7:4 So, my brothers, you also died to the law through the body of Christ, that you might belong to another, to him who was raised from the dead, in order that we might bear fruit to God.
- Phl 1:11 filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ-to the glory and praise of God.

Pointing/reconciling others to God

- Isa 6:8 Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"
- (Ex 4:13 But Moses said, "O Lord, please send someone else to do it.")
- 1Jn 1:1-3 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched-this we proclaim concerning the Word of life. ²The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us. ³We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ.
- Mt 5:16 In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.
- 1Pe 2:12 Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.
- Tit 2:7-8 In everything set them an example by doing what is good. In your teaching show integrity, seriousness ⁸and soundness of speech that cannot be condemned, so that those who oppose you may be ashamed because they have nothing bad to say about us.
- Jn 7:38 Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him."
- 2Co 9:12 This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God.
- 2Co 5:18-20 All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: ¹⁹that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God.
- Jn 1:41-42a The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). ⁴²And he brought him to Jesus.
- Act 4:20 For we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard."
- (Act 26:19 "So then, King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the vision from heaven.)
- Act 4:31 After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.
- Act 5:19-21a But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the doors of the jail and brought them out. ²⁰"Go, stand in the temple courts," he said, "and tell the people the full message of this new life." ²¹At daybreak they entered the temple courts, as they had been told, and began to teach the people.
- (Act 5:28 "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name," he said. "Yet you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and are determined to make us guilty of this man's blood.")
- (Mt 27:24-25 When Pilate saw that he was getting nowhere, but that instead an uproar was starting, he took water and washed his hands in front of the crowd. "I am innocent of this man's blood," he said. "It is your responsibility!" ²⁵All the people answered, "Let his blood be on us and on our children!")
- Act 5:42 Day after day, in the temple courts and from house to house, they never stopped teaching and proclaiming the good news that Jesus is the Christ.
- Act 8:4 Those who had been scattered preached the word wherever they went.

- Act 8:25 When they had testified and proclaimed the word of the Lord, Peter and John returned to Jerusalem, preaching the gospel in many Samaritan villages.
- Act 10:42 He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead.
- Act 28:23b From morning till evening he explained and declared to them the kingdom of God and tried to convince them about Jesus from the Law of Moses and from the Prophets.
- Act 28:31 Boldly and without hindrance he preached the kingdom of God and taught about the Lord Jesus Christ.
- Jam 5:20 remember this: Whoever turns a sinner from the error of his way will save him from death and cover over a multitude of sins.
- Act 10:24b Cornelius was expecting them and had called together his relatives and close friends.
- 1Pe 3:15 But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,
- Col 4:5-6 Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. ⁶Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

Aftercare

- Act 8:14 When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them.
- Act 11:21-23 The Lord's hand was with them, and a great number of people believed and turned to the Lord. ²²News of this reached the ears of the church at Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. ²³When he arrived and saw the evidence of the grace of God, he was glad and encouraged them all to remain true to the Lord with all their hearts.
- Act 11:25-26 Then Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul, ²⁶and when he found him, he brought him to Antioch. So for a whole year Barnabas and Saul met with the church and taught great numbers of people. The disciples were called Christians first at Antioch.
- Act 13:43 When the congregation was dismissed, many of the Jews and devout converts to Judaism followed Paul and Barnabas, who talked with them and urged them to continue in the grace of God.
- Act 14:21-22 Then they returned to Lystra, Iconium and Antioch, ²²strengthening the disciples and encouraging them to remain true to the faith.
- Act 14:28 And they stayed there a long time with the disciples.
- Act 15:36 Some time later Paul said to Barnabas, "Let us go back and visit the brothers in all the towns where we preached the word of the Lord and see how they are doing."
- Act 15:41 He (Paul) went through Syria and Cilicia, strengthening the churches.
- Act 16:5 So the churches were strengthened in the faith and grew daily in numbers.
- Act 18:11 So Paul stayed for a year and a half, teaching them the word of God.
- Act 18:23 After spending some time in Antioch, Paul set out from there and traveled from place to place throughout the region of Galatia and Phrygia, strengthening all the disciples.
- Act 18:24-26 Meanwhile a Jew named Apollos, a native of Alexandria, came to Ephesus. He was a learned man, with a thorough knowledge of the Scriptures. ²⁵He had been instructed in the way of the Lord, and he spoke with great fervor and

taught about Jesus accurately, though he knew only the baptism of John. ²⁶He began to speak boldly in the synagogue. When Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they invited him to their home and explained to him the way of God more adequately.

Act 18:27 When Apollos wanted to go to Achaia, the brothers encouraged him and wrote to the disciples there to welcome him. On arriving, he was a great help to those who by grace had believed.

Act 19:9b-10 He (Paul) took the disciples with him and had discussions daily in the lecture hall of Tyrannus. ¹⁰This went on for two years, so that all the Jews and Greeks who lived in the province of Asia heard the word of the Lord.

Act 19:20 In this way the word of the Lord spread widely and grew in power.

Final exhortations

2Ti 2:15 Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.

1Pe 4:10 Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.

Mt 9:37-38 Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. ³⁸Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

Mk 16:15 He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation.

Mt 28:18-20 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Mk 16:19-20 After the Lord Jesus had spoken to them, he was taken up into heaven and he sat at the right hand of God. ²⁰Then the disciples went out and preached everywhere, and the Lord worked with them and confirmed his word by the signs that accompanied it.

Lk 8:39 "Return home and tell how much God has done for you." So the man went away and told all over town how much Jesus had done for him.

Phm 6 I pray that you may be active in sharing your faith, so that you will have a full understanding of every good thing we have in Christ.

2Co 3:12 Therefore, since we have such a hope, we are very bold.

Phl 1:27c-28 contending as one man for the faith of the gospel ²⁸without being frightened in any way by those who oppose you. This is a sign to them that they will be destroyed, but that you will be saved-and that by God.

2Ti 1:7-8 For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline. ⁸So do not be ashamed to testify about our Lord, or ashamed of me his prisoner. But join with me in suffering for the gospel, by the power of God,

Rom 12:11 Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord.

Pr 3:5-6 Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; ⁶in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.

Eph 6:19-20 Pray also for me, that whenever I open my mouth, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.

Phl 1:21 For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.

Jn 13:15 I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.