

# ORDER OF SERVICE

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Worship in Music  
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## Stand Firm In Brotherly Love

1 Peter 1:22-2:3

Stand Firm Series

Life Change: We love each other fervently.

### A month-long visit from Opa...

#### What should be:

1:22

We are expected to obey truth.

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We are to love our fellow believers.

Our affection is to be sincere.

#### What is:

We live trying lives.

1:6

Flesh battles the world.

1:23-25a

Interpersonal sins rule.

1:25b-2:3

#### How can we move from what is to what should be?

Purify your own soul.

1:2

When the world goes bonkers over the latest dangerous virus, you will train yourself to wash your hands often, to use Purell many times a day. Yet, the bad list of our fleshly taint is truly epidemic...more dangerous than any pathogen. Surely, it's worthy of discipline to purify your soul?!  
— WB in 2010

Remember your birthright.

1:23

Fight against our common enemies.

2:1

Feast at the same table.

2:2

Grow up in salvation.

2:2-3

Happy happy happy  
Reformation Day!

# STAND FIRM

*a study of 1 Peter*

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR PHONE



***Grandpa with the boys***  
**Vickie Wade**  
**2018**

courtesy FineArtA



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**As Opa's train pulled out, the boys turned toward each other...and I was very moved. I was sure my sons were about to hug – to find solace in each other.**



***What should be  
my friend's imagination***

**2020**

**But that's exactly when the younger one looked up, wiped his eyes, and punched his older brother right in the arm. My older son didn't look at all surprised. He just reached across and smacked his little brother in the head...I swear that I saw my father laughing at me as the train pulled away.**



***What is  
natural reality  
2020***

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Titus

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Heb

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**Laurie Pawlik-Kienlen  
lives in a literal treehouse  
with her husband and  
many animals.**



## What is love?

**“When my grandmother got arthritis, she couldn’t bend over and paint her toenails anymore. So my grandfather does it for her all the time, even when his hands got arthritis too. That’s love.” – Rebecca, age 8**

**“Love is when you go out to eat and give somebody most of your French fries without making them give you any of theirs.” – Chrissy, age 5**

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**“Love is what makes you smile when you’re tired.”**

**– Terri, age 4**

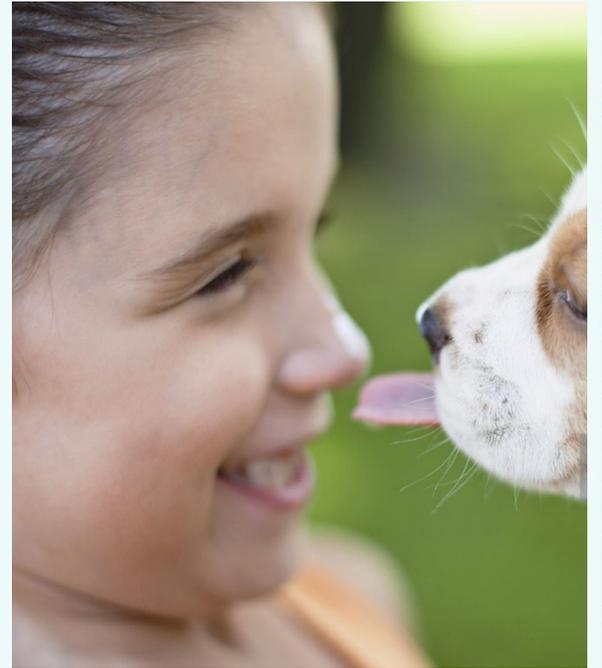
**“Love is what’s in the room with you at Christmas if you stop opening presents and listen.” – Bobby, age 7**

**“If you want to learn to love better, you should start with a friend who you hate.” – Nikka, age 6**

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**“Love is like a little old woman and a little old man who are still friends even after they know each other so well.” – Tommy, age 9**

**“Love is when your puppy licks your face even after you left him alone all day.” – Mary Ann, age 4**



## What is love?

**“I know my older sister loves me because she gives me all her old clothes and has to go out and buy new ones.” – Lauren, age 6**

**“You really shouldn’t say ‘I love you’ unless you mean it. But if you mean it, you should say it a lot. People forget.” – Jessica, age 9**

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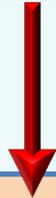
**Greek: ἀνυπόκριτος anypokritos = compound of without + hypocrisy**

**Soft totalitarianism seduces those – even Christians – who have lost the capacity to love enduringly. They think they love, but they merely desire. They think they follow Jesus, but in fact, they merely admire him. Each of us thinks we wouldn't be like that. But if we have accepted the lie of our therapeutic culture, which tells us that personal happiness is the greatest good of all, then we will surrender at the first sign of trouble. — Rod Dreher, *Live Not by Lies: A Manual for Christian Dissidents***



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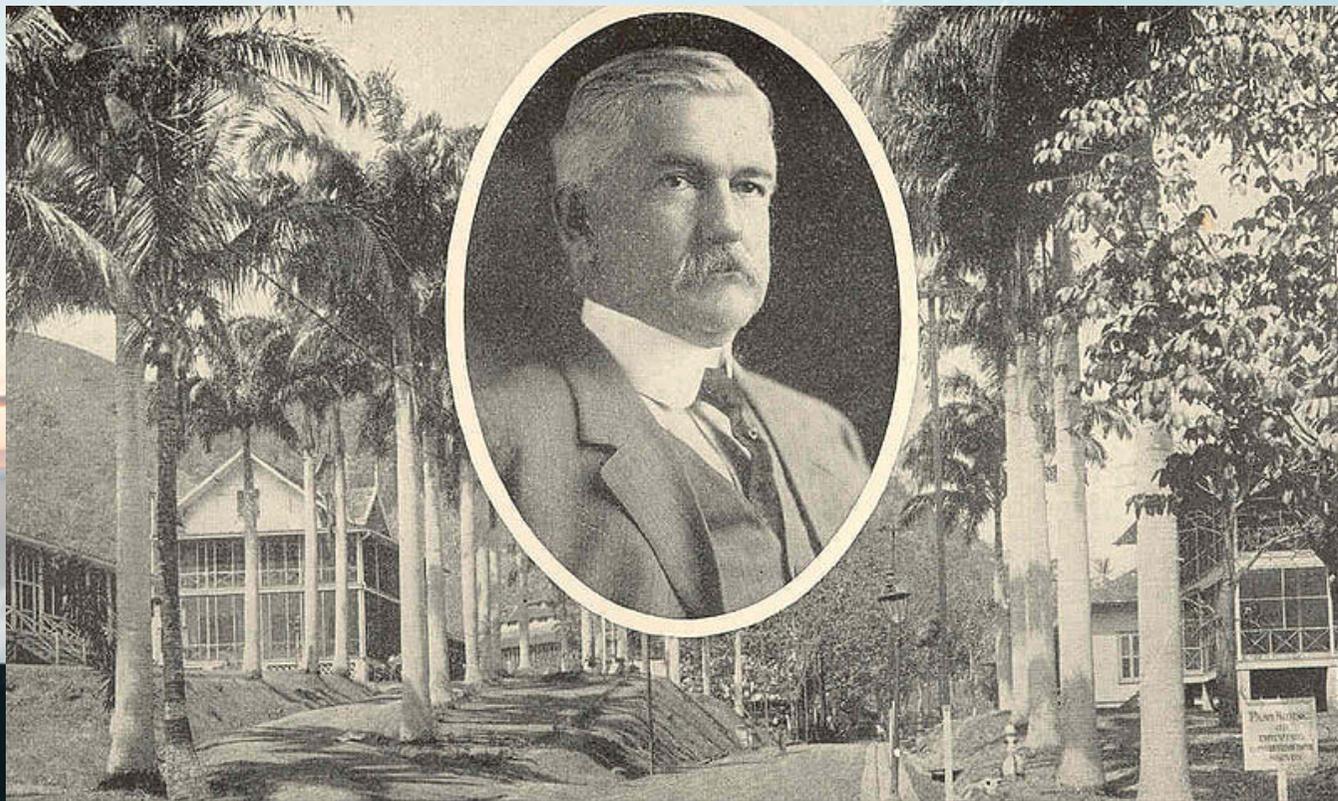
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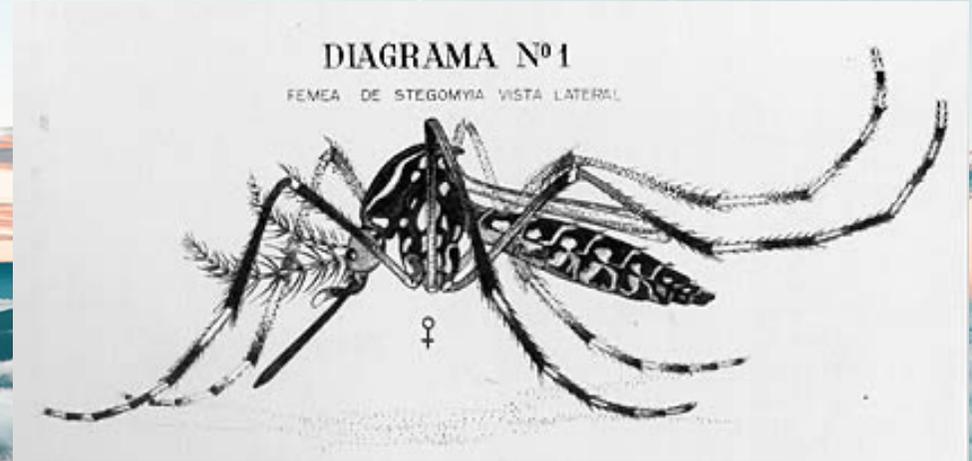
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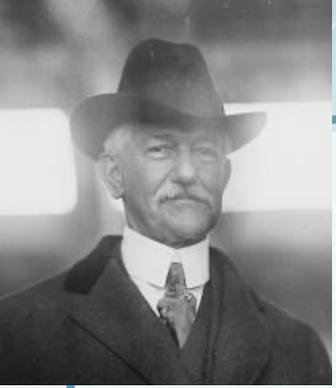
***ekteneia* in the NT is intensity without negligence or failing, whether in prayer or brotherly love. – Spicq, C., & Ernest, J. D. *Theological Lexicon of the New Testament***



**Col. William  
Gorgas, M.D.  
[Retired as  
Maj. Gen. &  
knighted by  
George IV]**

courtesy University of Washington collection; trivia: first biography I ever read, at 6 years old, was of Dr. Gorgas.





**A devout Christian...the doctor would not give up... His tact, his sensitivity to the feelings of others, were unyielding. An American engineer would remember him as “a grand, quiet, lovable man.” Dr. Victor Heiser, a young American physician who was passing through en route to the Philippines, saw Gorgas stopped in the street by a beggar. “He bowed to the man, shook his hand, even inquired for his name, then gave the only coin he had – but it was all done so perfectly naturally, with such dignity that the man walked away very pleased.” – David McCullough, *The Path Between the Seas***

***What should be  
Apostle Peter  
ca. 63 A.D.***



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Gen. Gorgas at time of construction, P. C.

courtesy Library of Congress

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***[Isaiah 40]***

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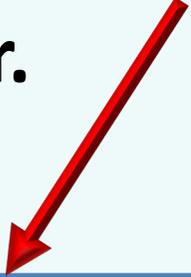
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**1:25** And this word is the gospel that was proclaimed to you.

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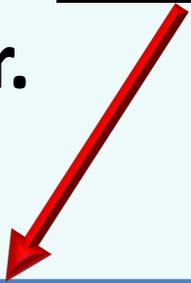
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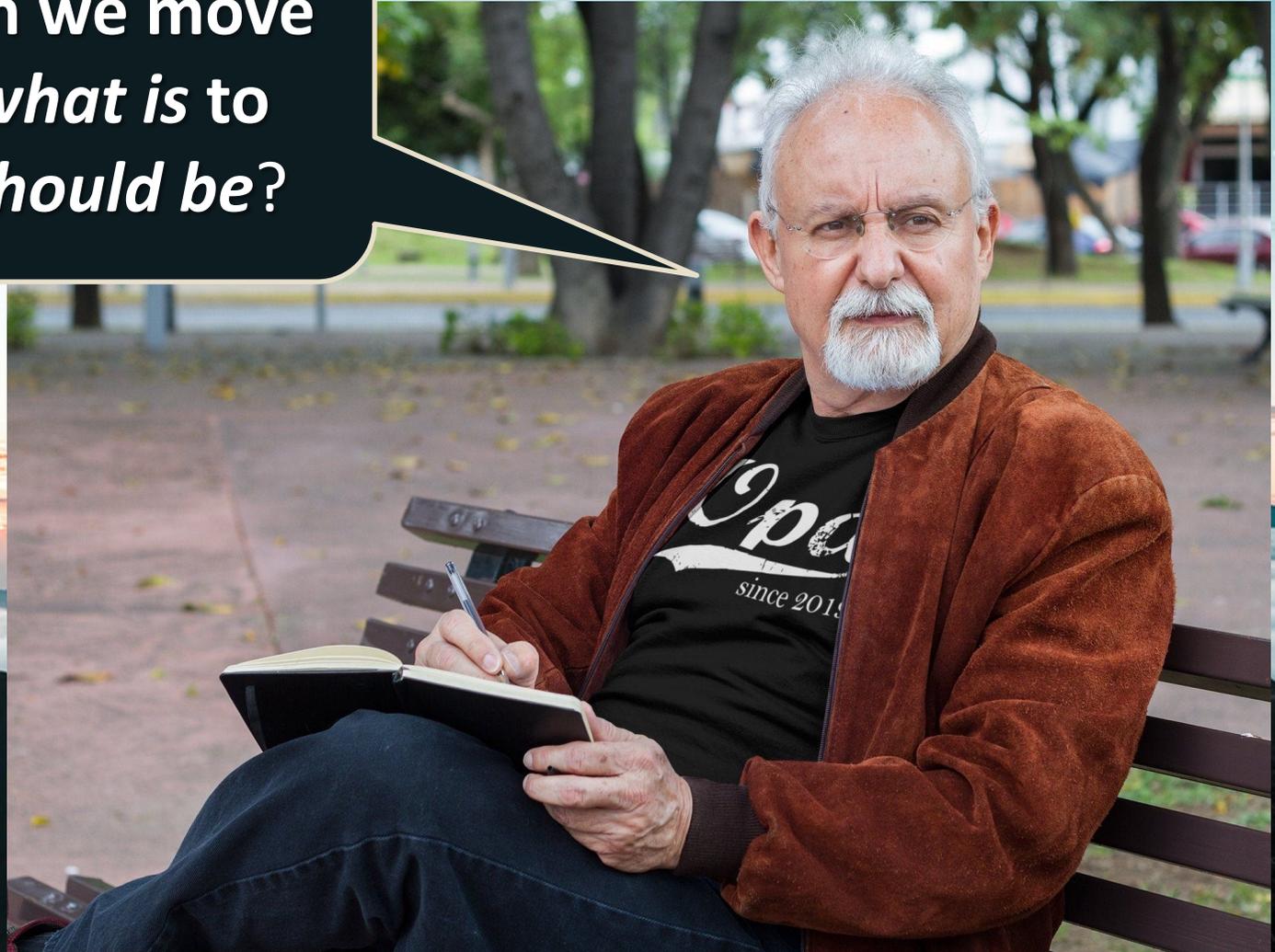
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**Pastor Wayne, We met this Christian couple in our town, and we started getting together for playdates and such. Anyway, I was telling her how much we love Pastor Wayne, how Frisco Bible Church feels like home, how right on your sermons are etc. But then she started saying bad things about you. At first, I was a little shocked but then as the weeks stretched on I started getting really mad!!! The last straw was the day I was at her house, and she asked me to be honest about something, and I said "OK." She said, "Do you really think Pastor Wayne is ever Holy Spirit led?" I instantly said "Yes!" She said, rolling her eyes, "I don't think so."**

**Wonderfully, I have the Lord and don't need any human to defend me. I just feel deeply saddened that a fellow Christian could be so utterly dismissive and ugly toward a brother. Of course, I have felt that sorrow in my own soul, as God has convicted me over how I have been ugly and dismissive toward brethren myself. May the Spirit protect our dear sister as He chastises her for such sin. He will do so, as promised; even as He makes completely clear that our only response is to forgive.**

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from *what is* to  
*what should be*?



courtesy pinterest

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# James 4

**<sup>7</sup> Therefore, submit to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup> Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. <sup>9</sup> Be miserable and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. <sup>10</sup> Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you. <sup>CSB</sup>**

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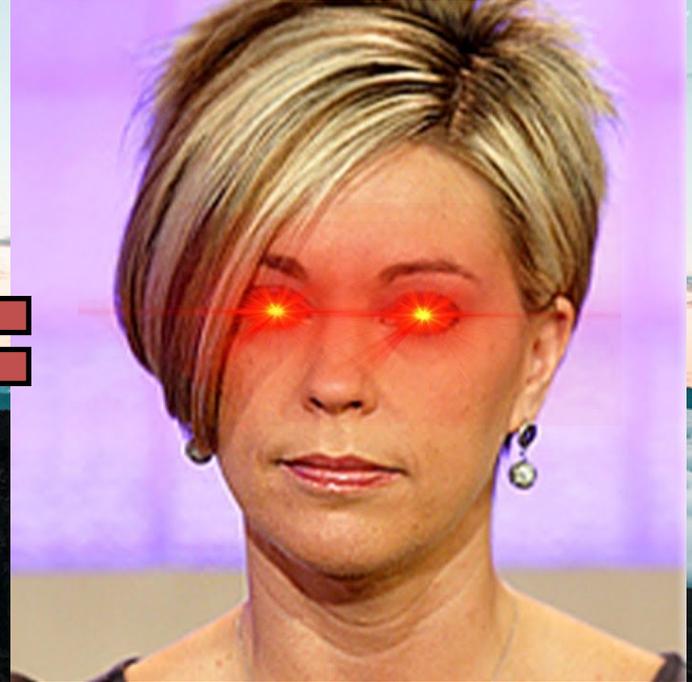
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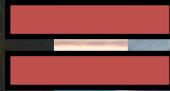


*Esau sells his  
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Matthias  
Storm  
ca. 1640



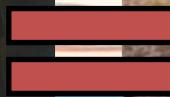








**pain/ felt  
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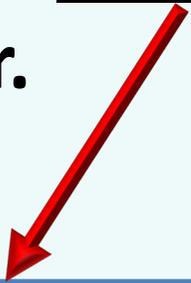
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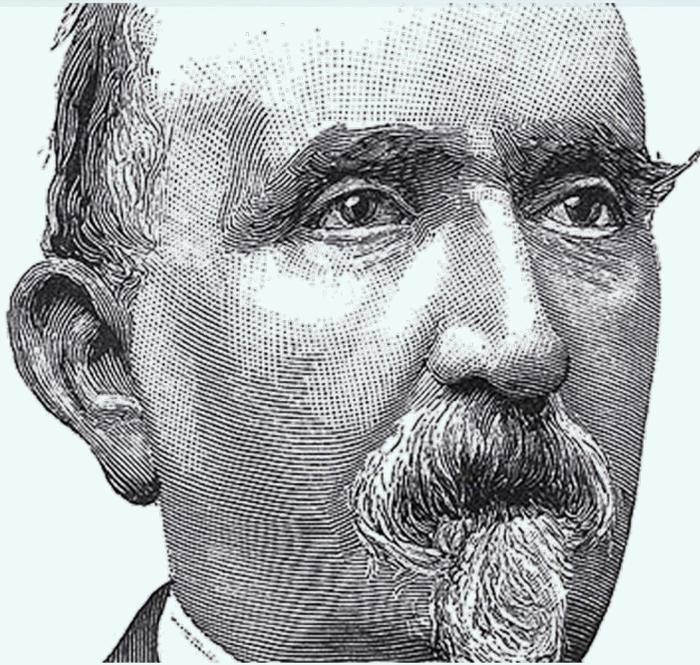
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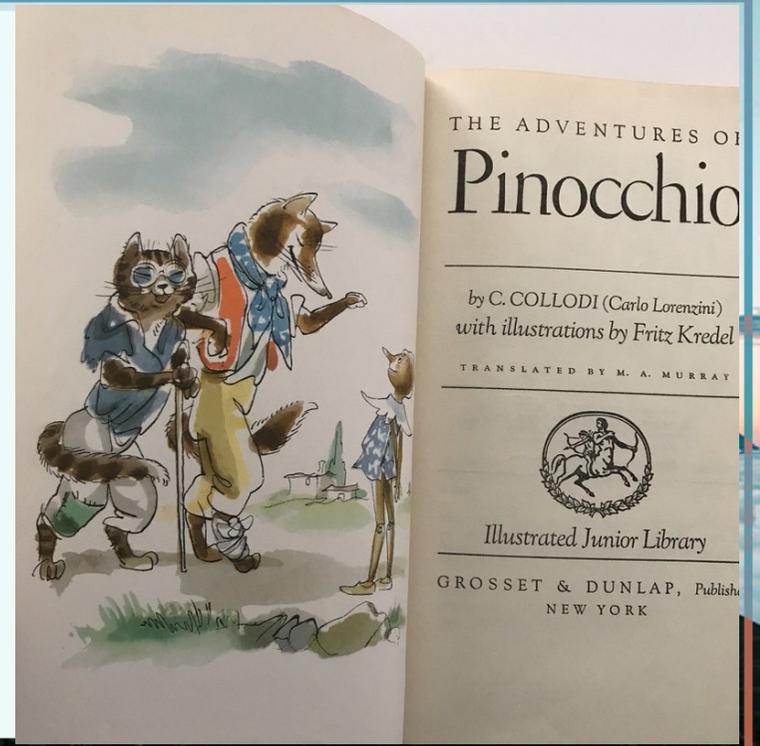
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**Sinclair  
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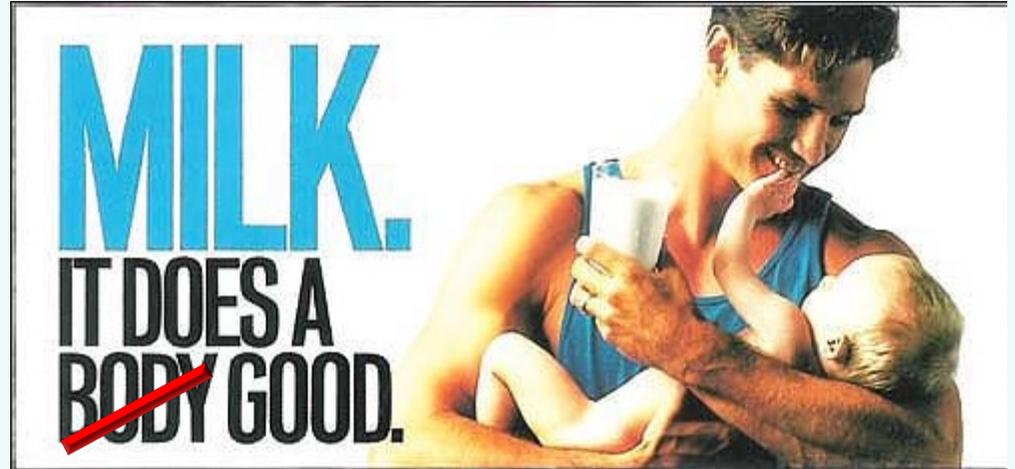
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**SOUL**

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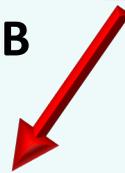
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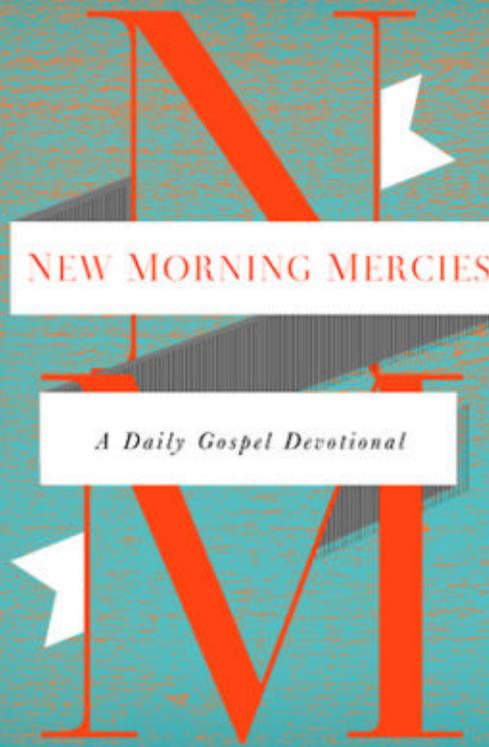
**This is a first-class condition. Koine Greek had four classes of conditions for the word “if.” A first-class condition is something true and assumed to be present. We use the word “since” in that way.**

# Philippians 2

**<sup>1</sup> If, then, there is any encouragement in Christ, if any consolation of love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any affection and mercy, <sup>2</sup> make my joy complete by thinking the same way, having the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose.**

**<sup>3</sup> Do nothing out of selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility consider others as more important than yourselves. <sup>4</sup> Everyone should look not to his own interests, but rather to the interests of others.**

**<sup>5</sup> Adopt the same attitude as that of Christ Jesus <sup>CSB</sup>**



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