

The Promise Of Heaven

Sunday's Coming - (# 4)

April 23, 2023

OPENING SCRIPTURE: Hebrews 4:1-16

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TEXT: 2 Corinthians 4:1-18

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Hebrews 4:1 Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it.

Don't squander God's gift; received His Word and obey it.

1) The _____ Is Busy.

2) Be _____.

3) The _____ Of Glory.

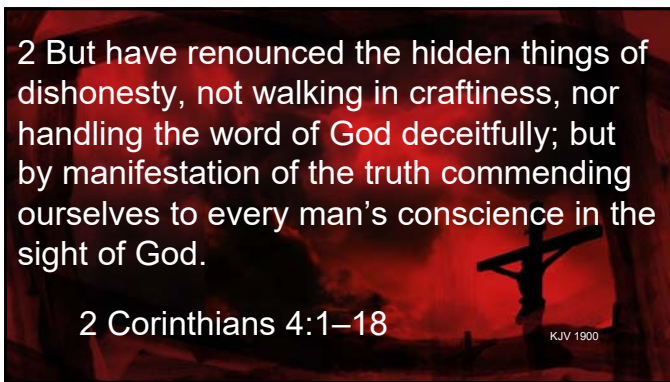
4) See The _____.



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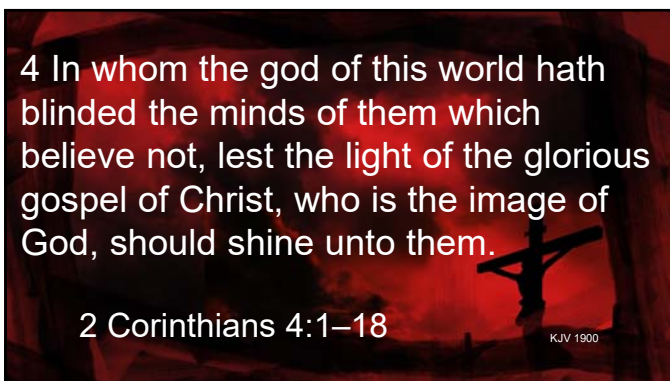
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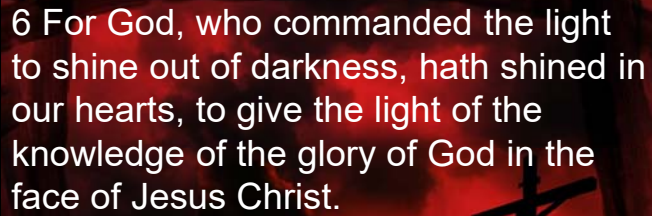
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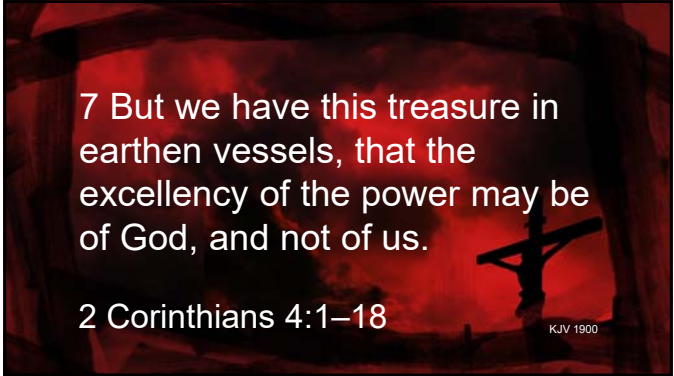


6 For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

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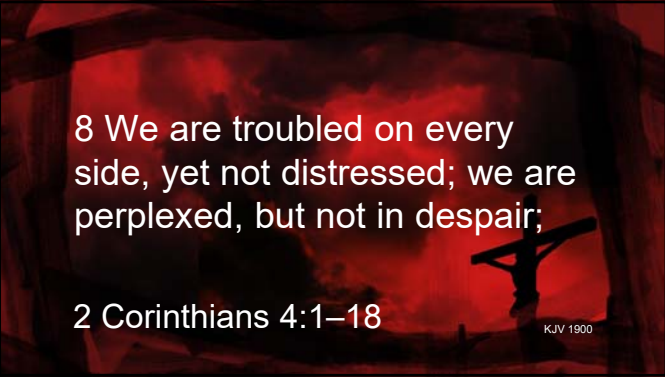


7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

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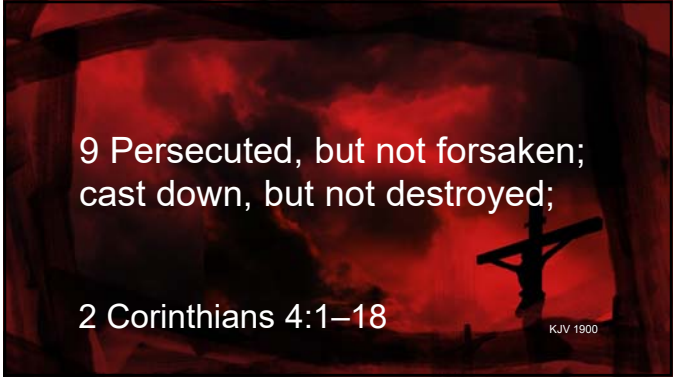


8 We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair;

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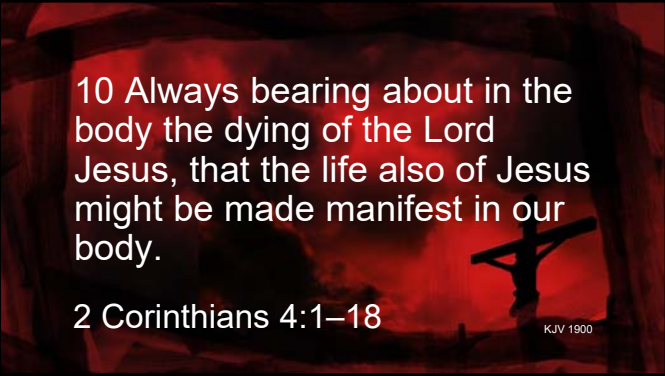


9 Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed;

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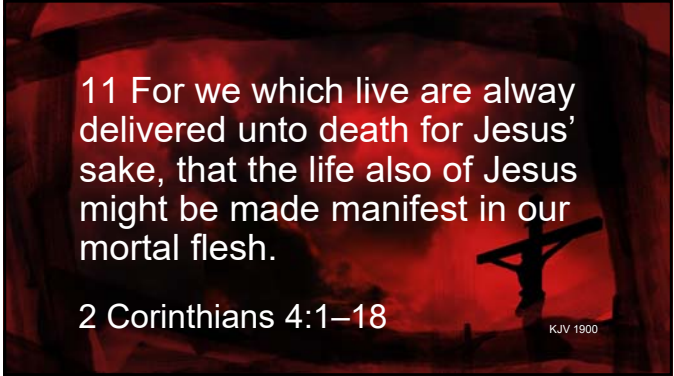


10 Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body.

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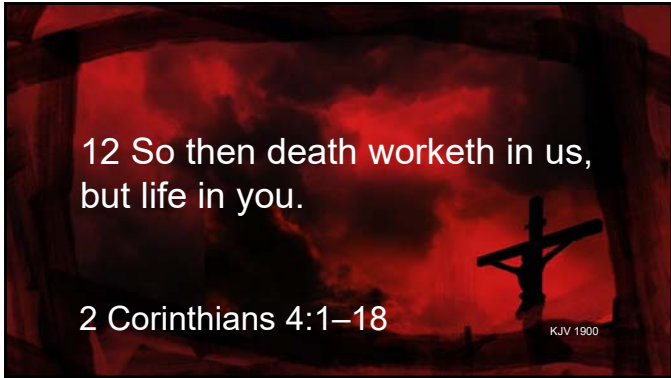


11 For we which live are always delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh.

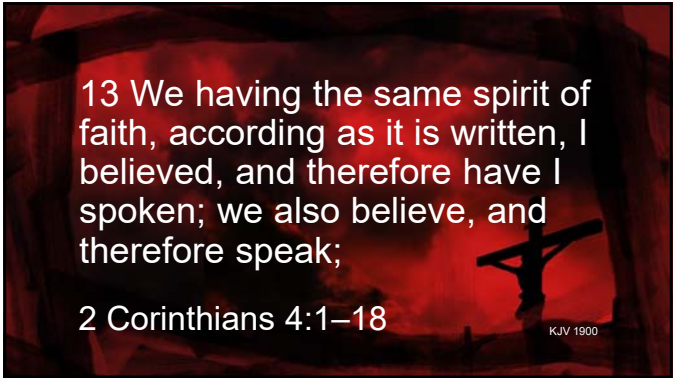
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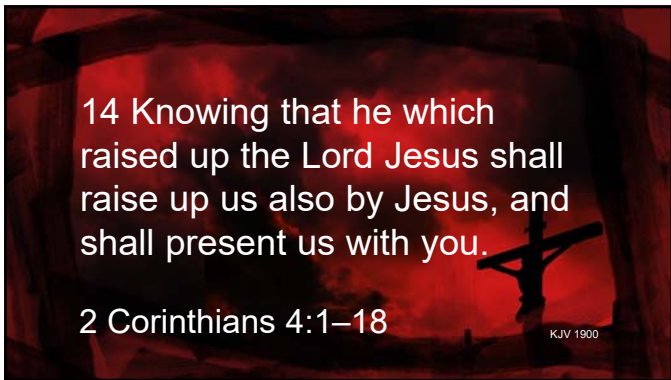
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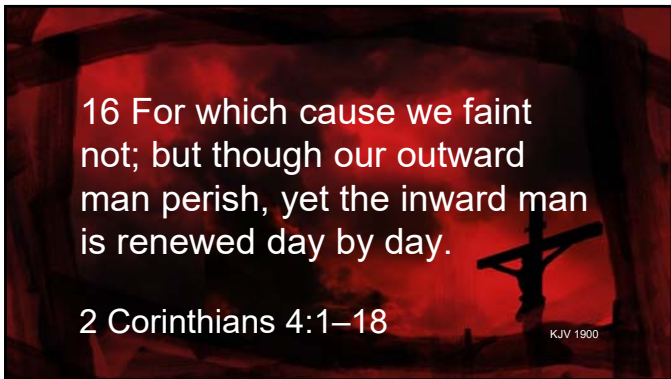
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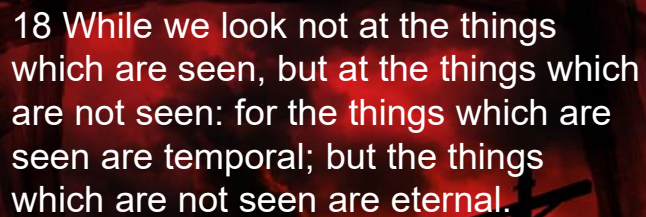
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18 While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.

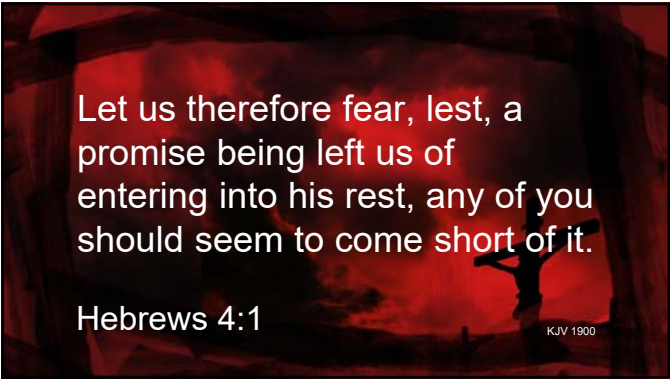
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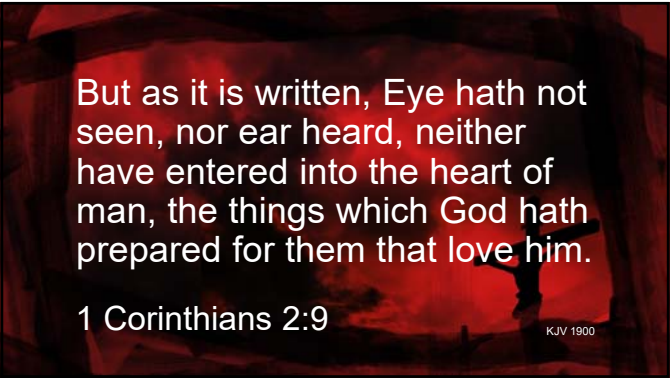
Heaven is more than a promise of retirement for God's people.

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We talk about the "sweet by and by," but often forget God has a plan for us in Heaven as well.

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But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

1 Corinthians 2:9

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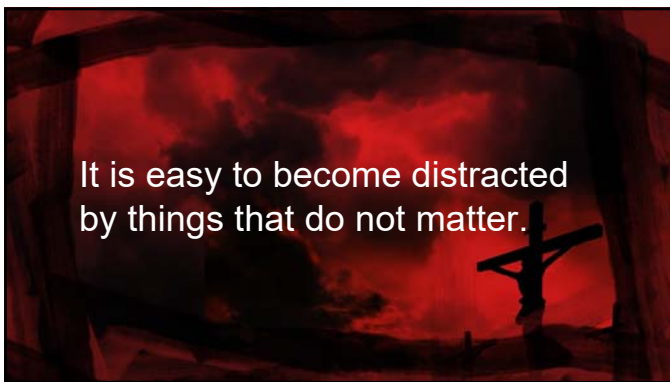
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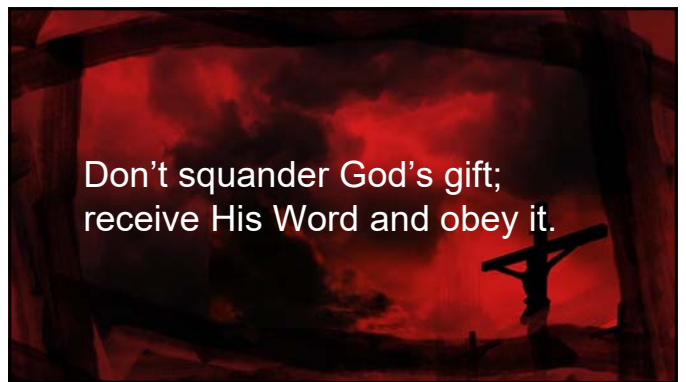
God loves you and
God wants you in Heaven.

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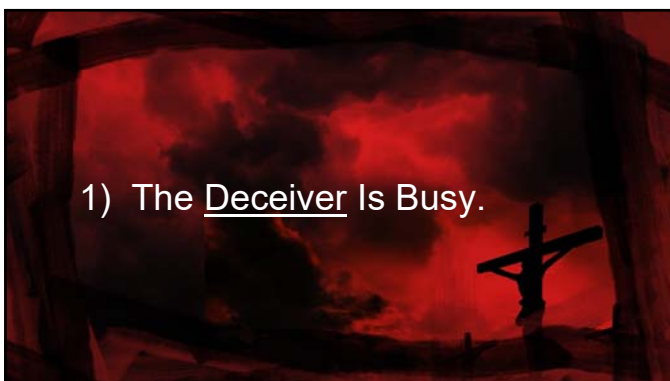
It is easy to become distracted
by things that do not matter.

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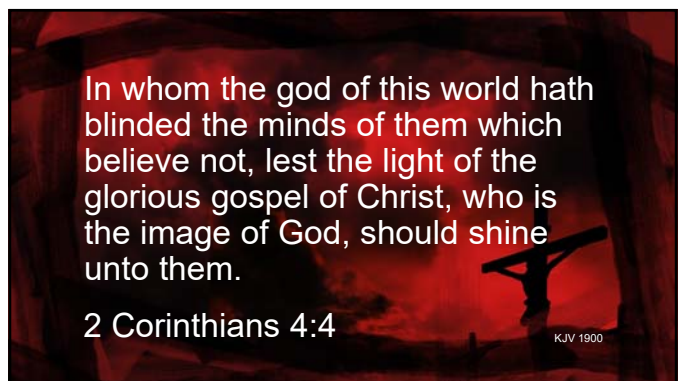
Don't squander God's gift;
receive His Word and obey it.

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1) The Deceiver Is Busy.

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In whom the god of this world hath
blinded the minds of them which
believe not, lest the light of the
glorious gospel of Christ, who is
the image of God, should shine
unto them.

2 Corinthians 4:4

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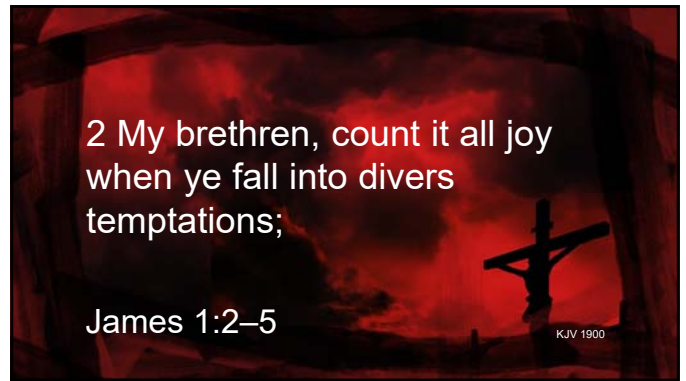


Have you experienced any difficulties during the past few years?

Do you attend Church feeling weary?

Has the devil been fighting you this past week?

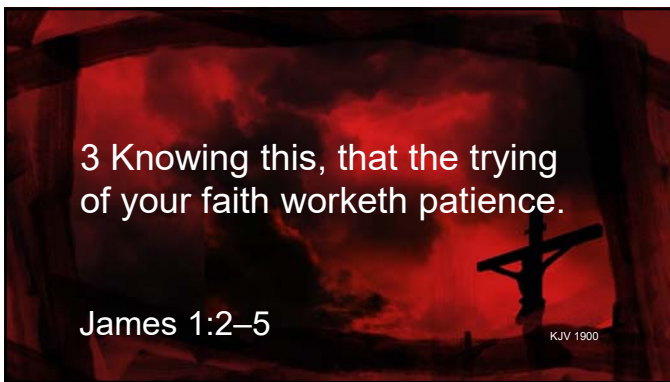
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2 My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations;

James 1:2-5

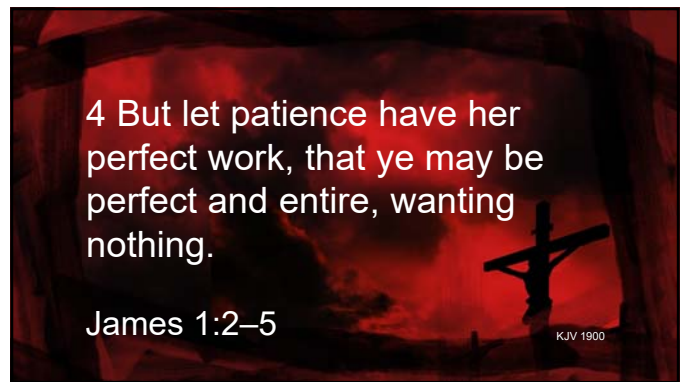
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3 Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience.

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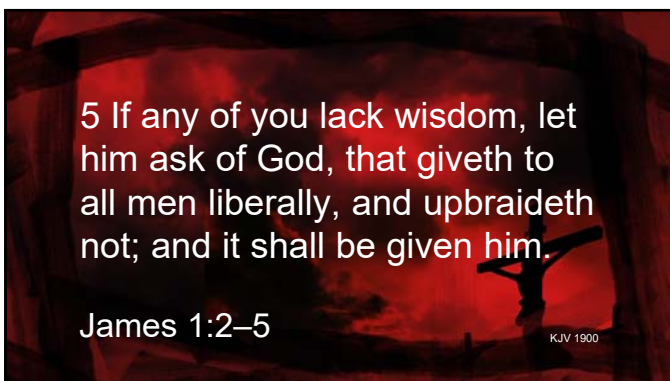
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4 But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

James 1:2-5

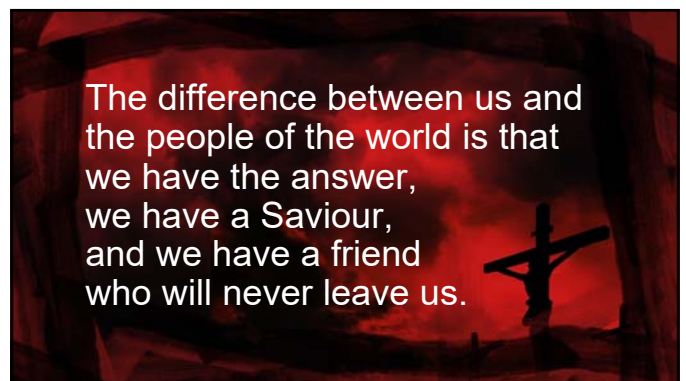
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5 If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.

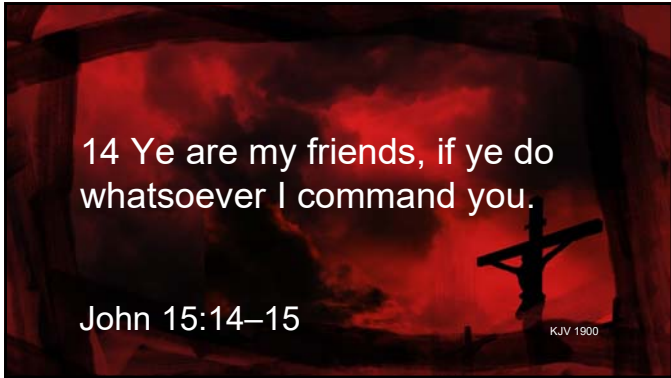
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The difference between us and the people of the world is that we have the answer, we have a Saviour, and we have a friend who will never leave us.

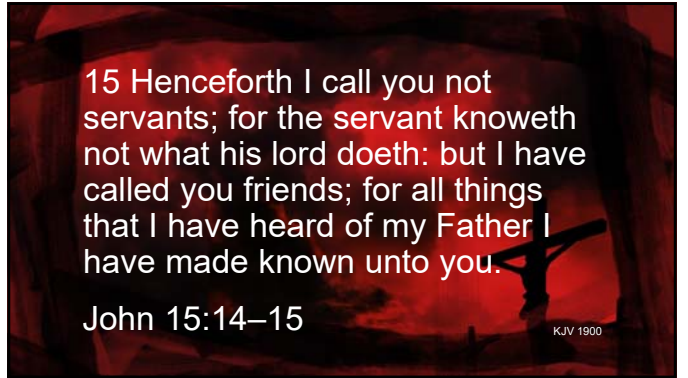
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14 Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.

John 15:14–15

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15 Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you.

John 15:14–15

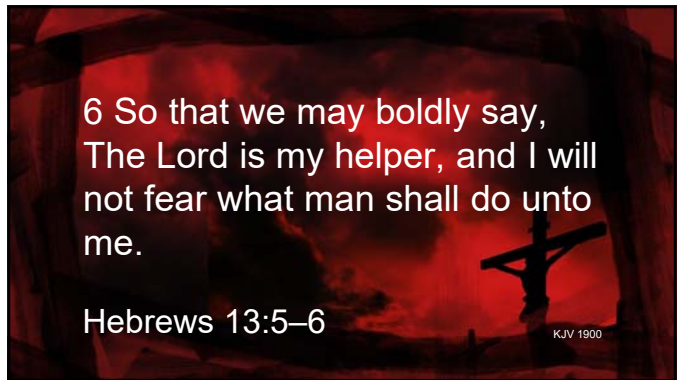
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5 Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.

Hebrews 13:5–6

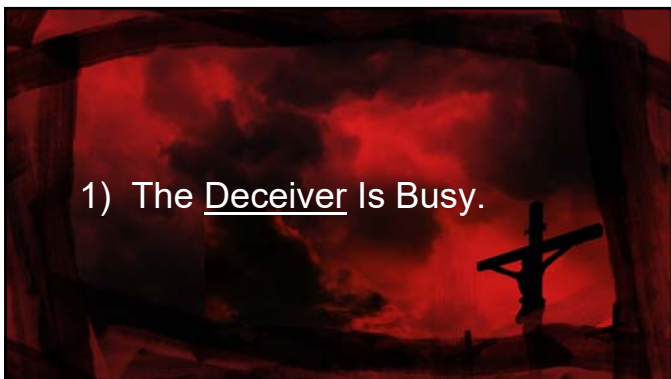
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6 So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.

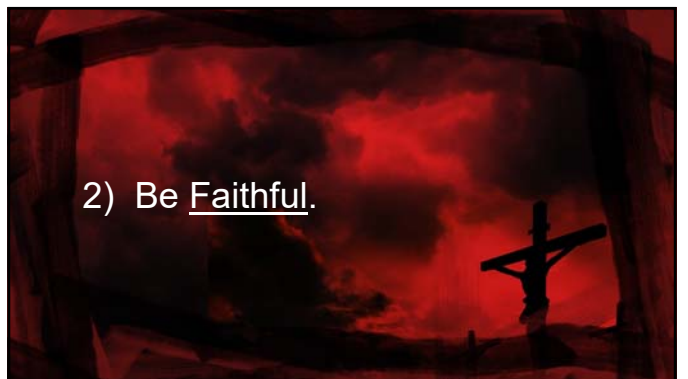
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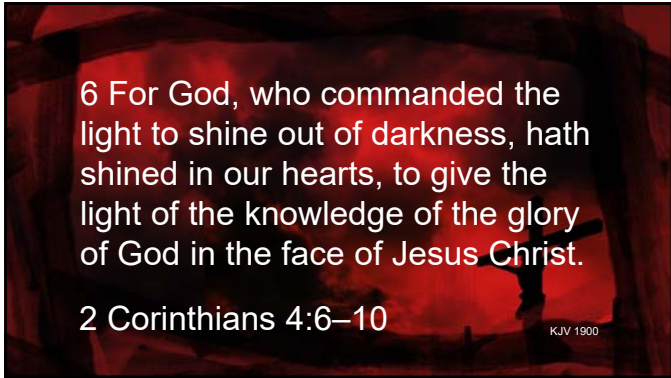
1) The Deceiver Is Busy.

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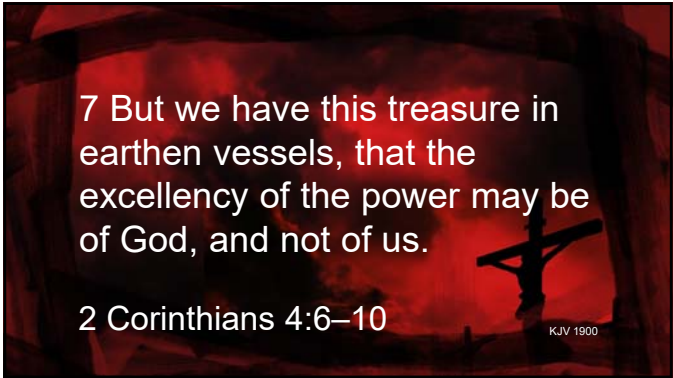


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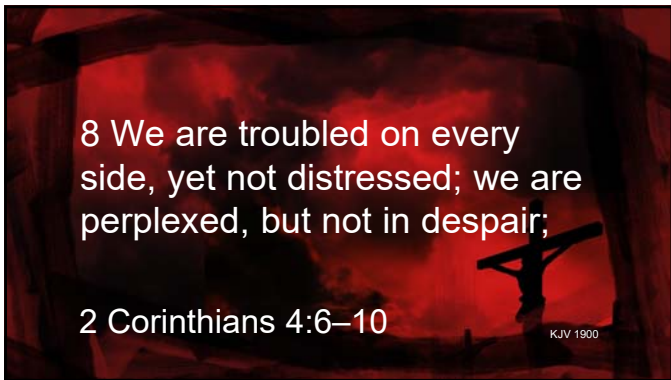
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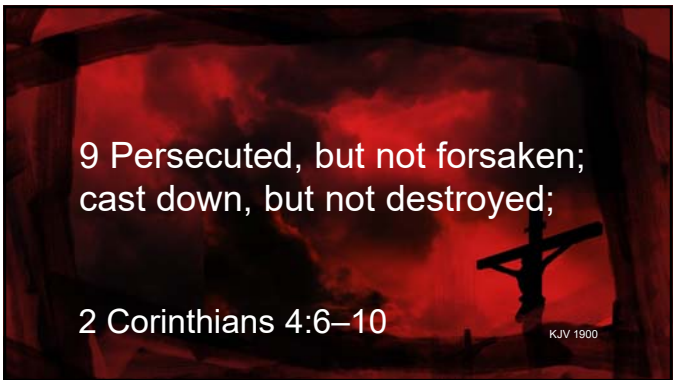
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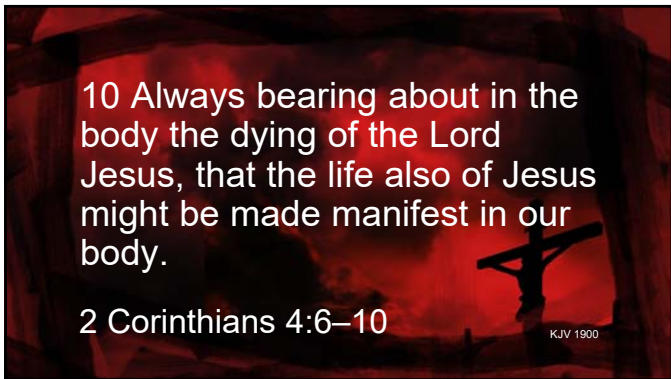
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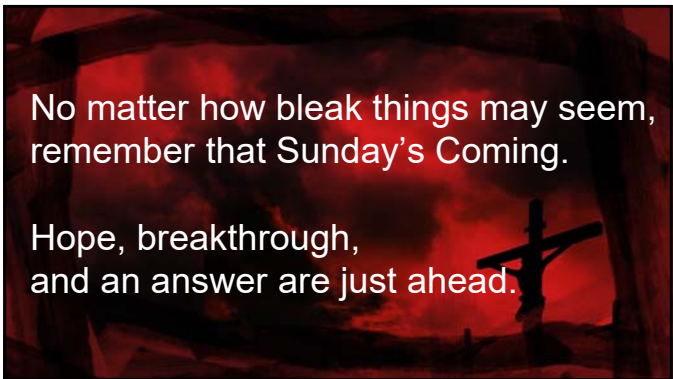
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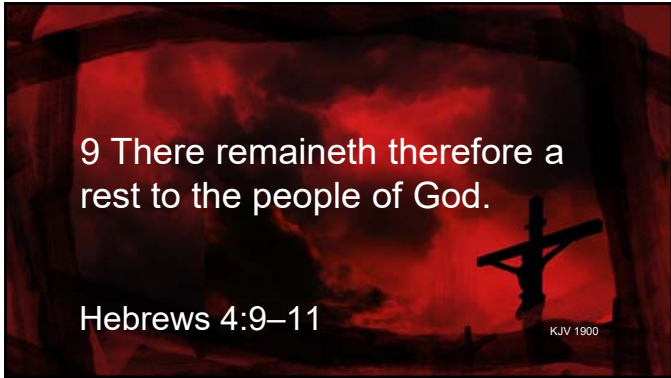
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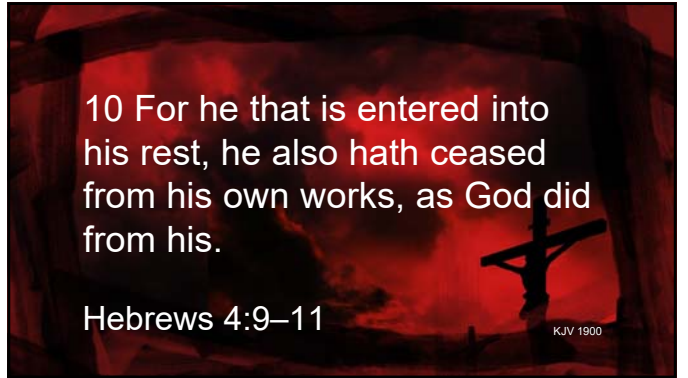
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9 There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God.

Hebrews 4:9–11

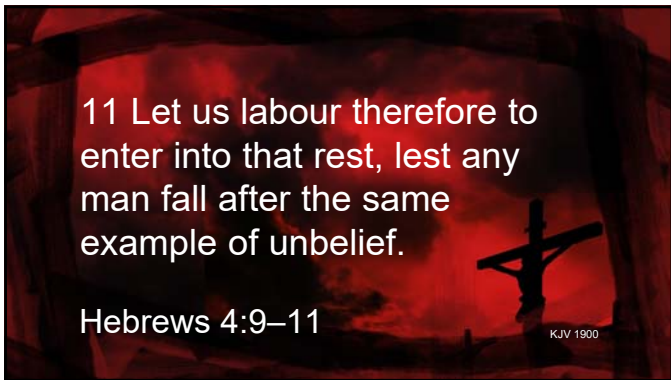
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10 For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his.

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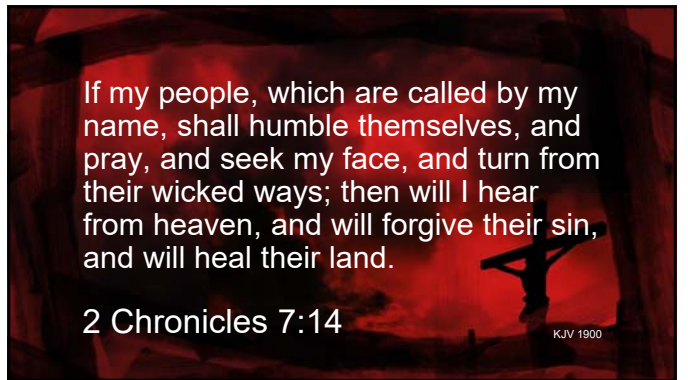
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11 Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief.

Hebrews 4:9–11

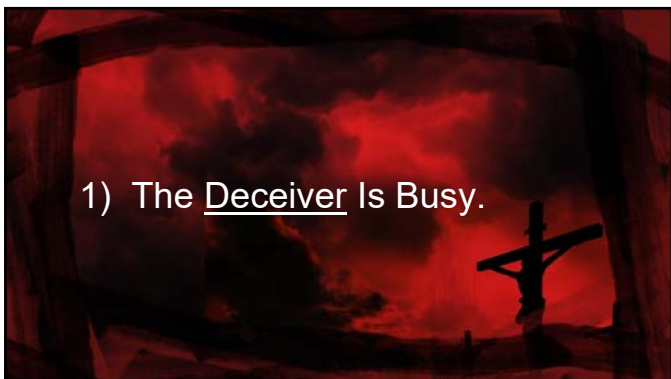
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If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

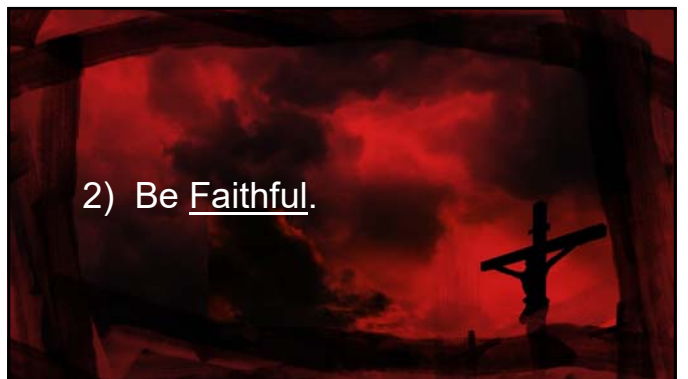
2 Chronicles 7:14

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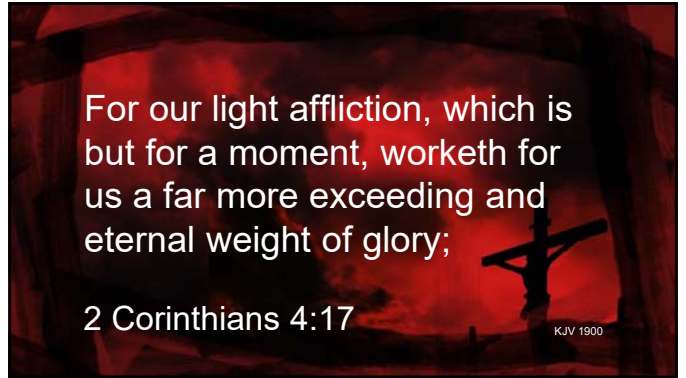
2) Be Faithful.

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3) The Weight Of Glory.

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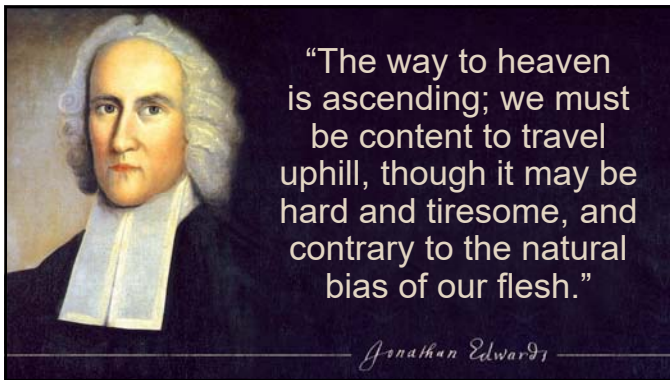


For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory;

2 Corinthians 4:17

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“The way to heaven is ascending; we must be content to travel uphill, though it may be hard and tiresome, and contrary to the natural bias of our flesh.”

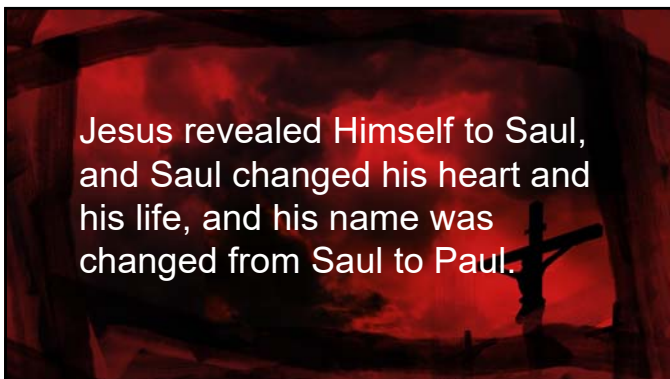
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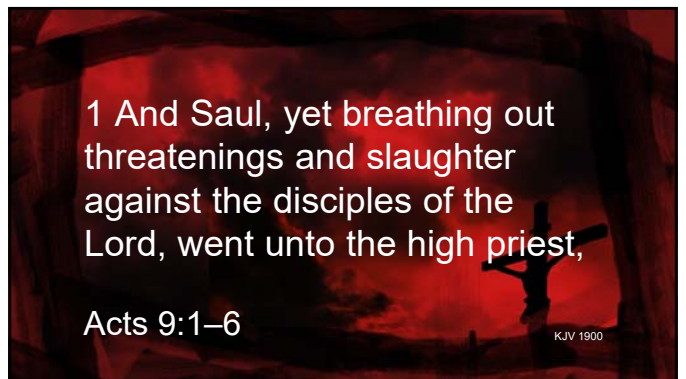
The Apostle Paul knew something about struggle, sacrifice, and consecration to God.

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Jesus revealed Himself to Saul, and Saul changed his heart and his life, and his name was changed from Saul to Paul.

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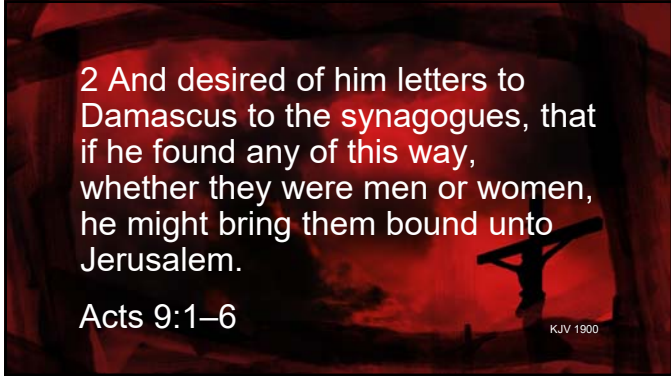


1 And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest,

Acts 9:1–6

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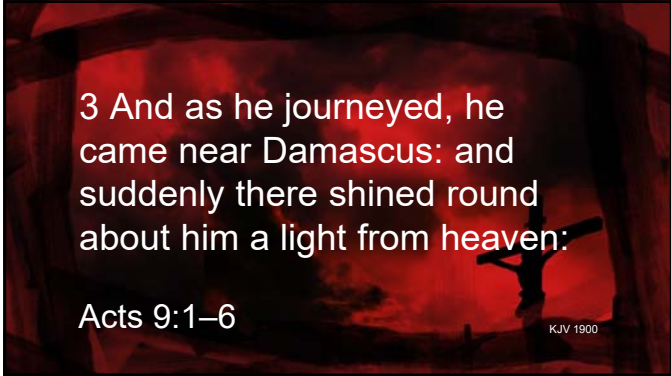
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2 And desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that if he found any of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem.

Acts 9:1-6

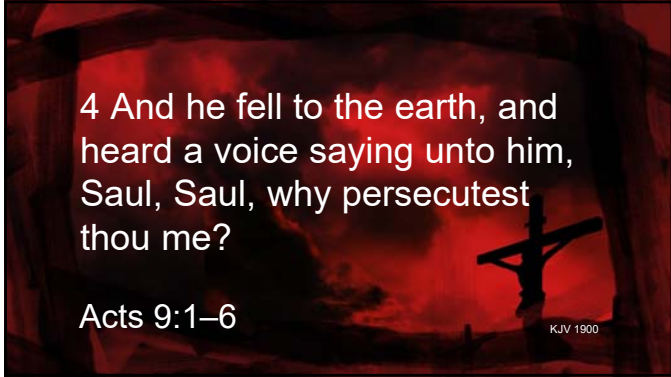
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3 And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven:

Acts 9:1-6

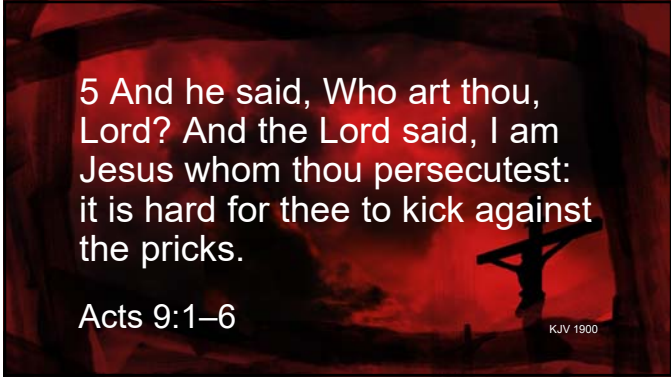
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4 And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?

Acts 9:1-6

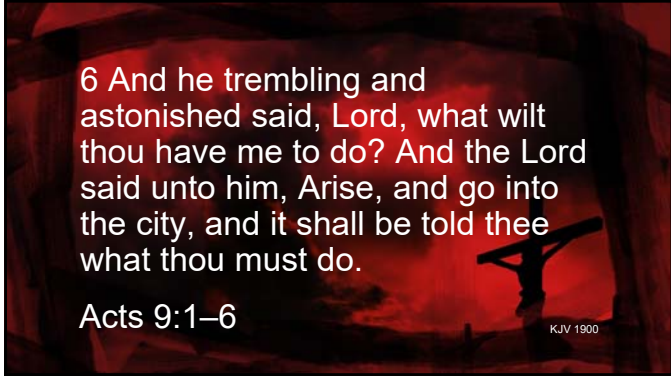
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5 And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.

Acts 9:1-6


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6 And he trembling and astonished said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do.

Acts 9:1-6

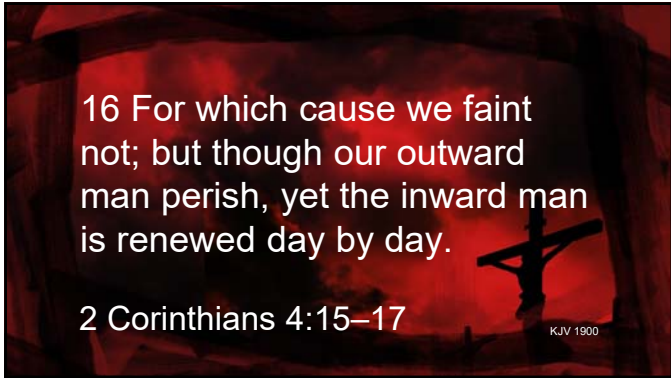
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15 For all things are for your sakes, that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God.

2 Corinthians 4:15-17

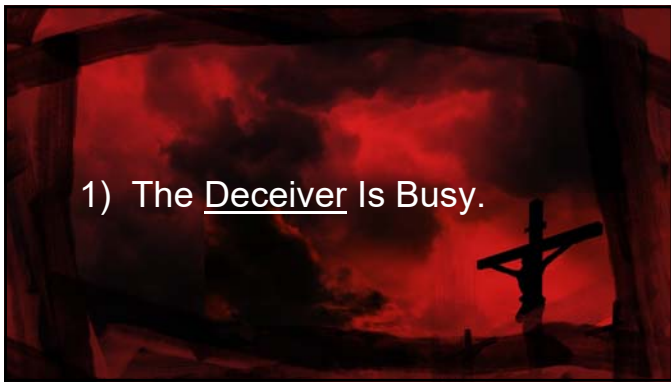
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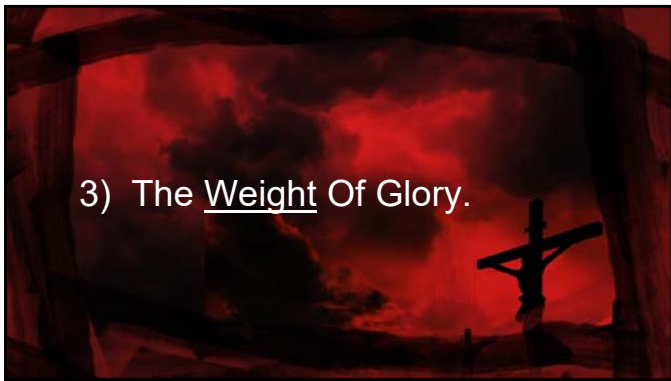
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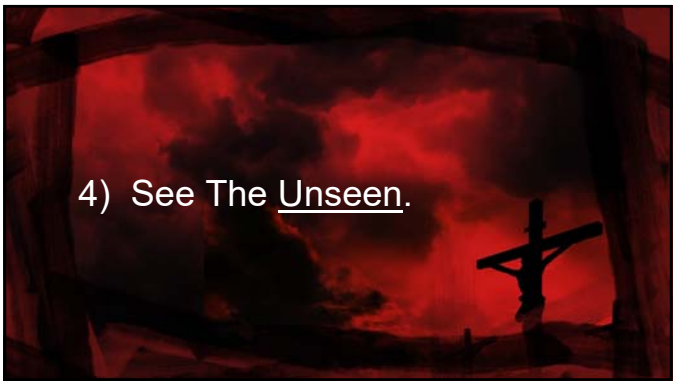
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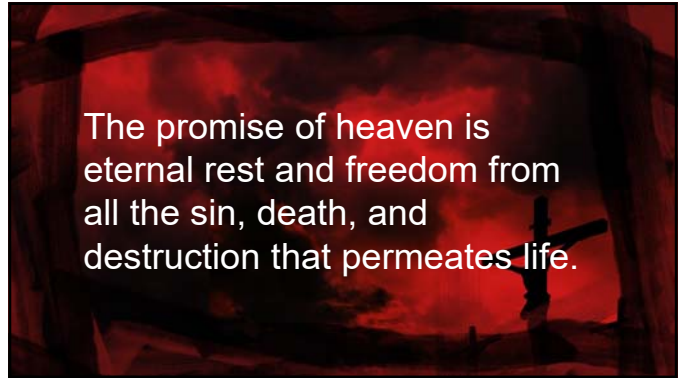


While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.

2 Corinthians 4:18

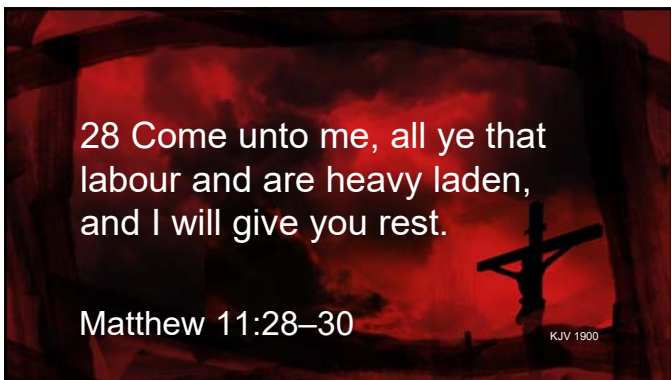
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The promise of heaven is eternal rest and freedom from all the sin, death, and destruction that permeates life.

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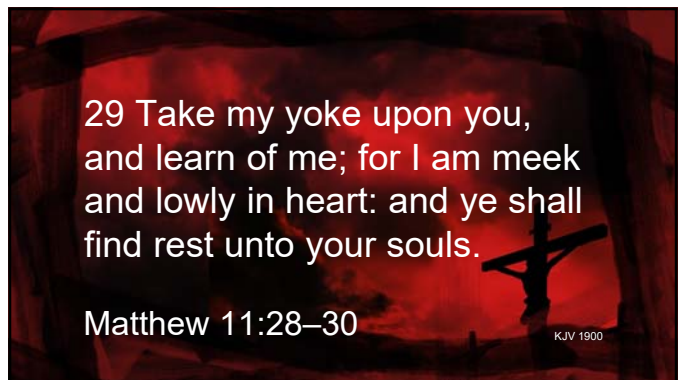


28 Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Matthew 11:28–30

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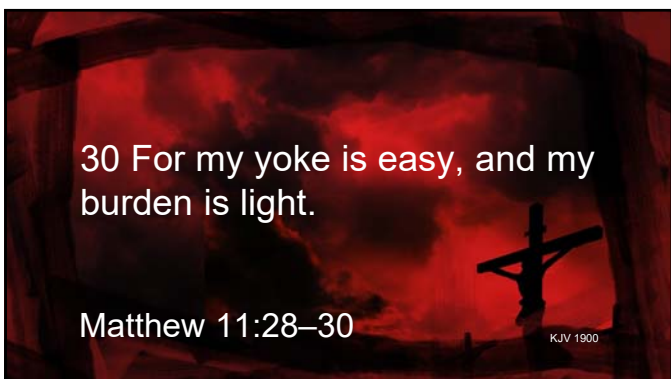


29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

Matthew 11:28–30

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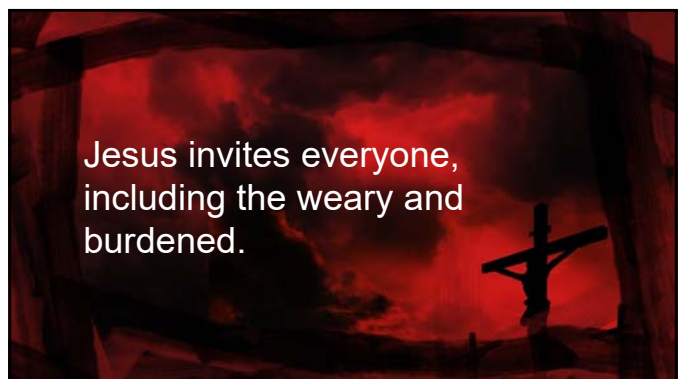


30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

Matthew 11:28–30

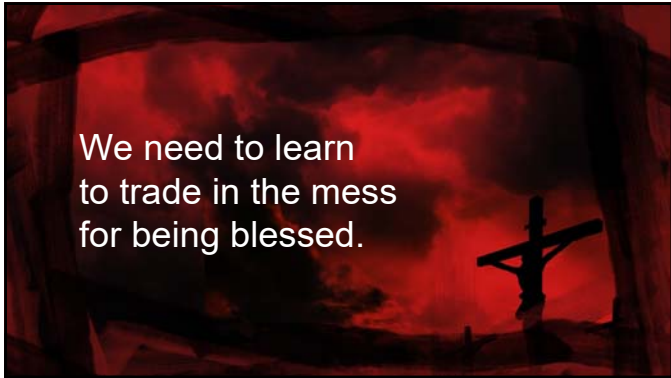
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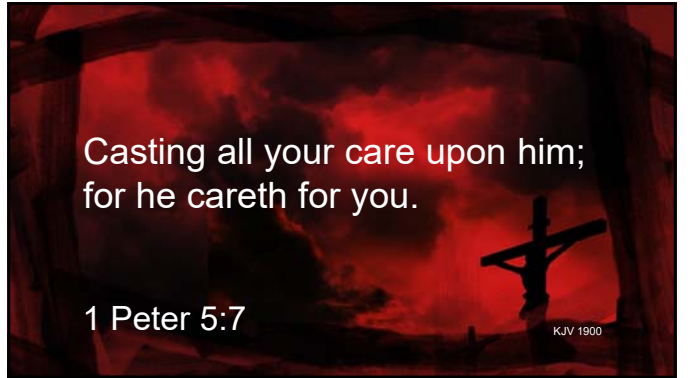


Jesus invites everyone, including the weary and burdened.

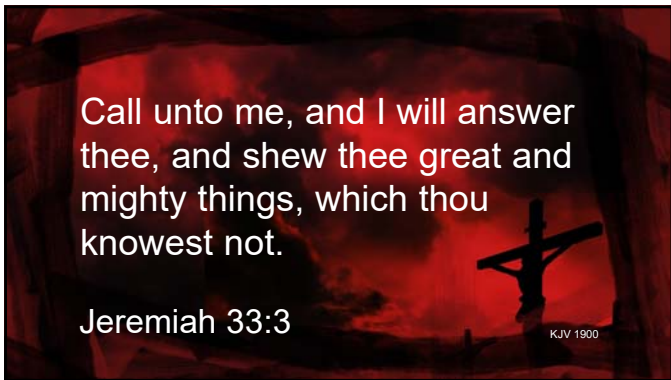
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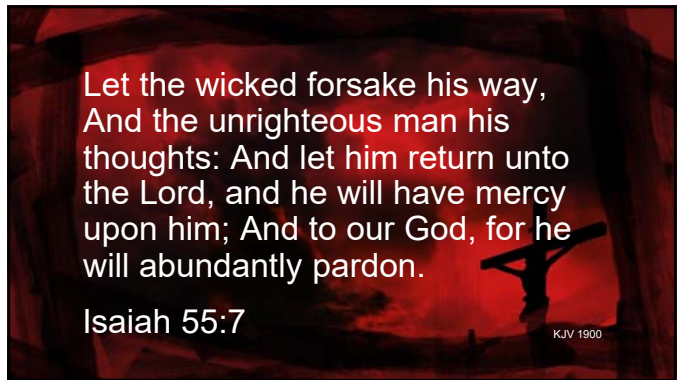
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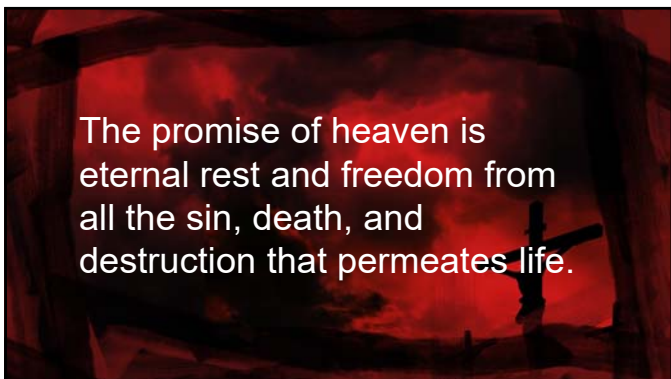
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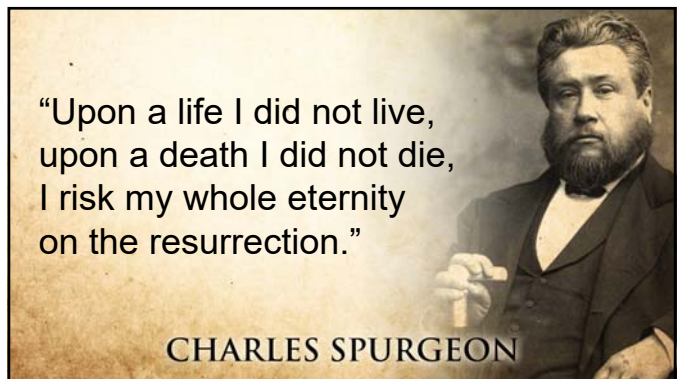
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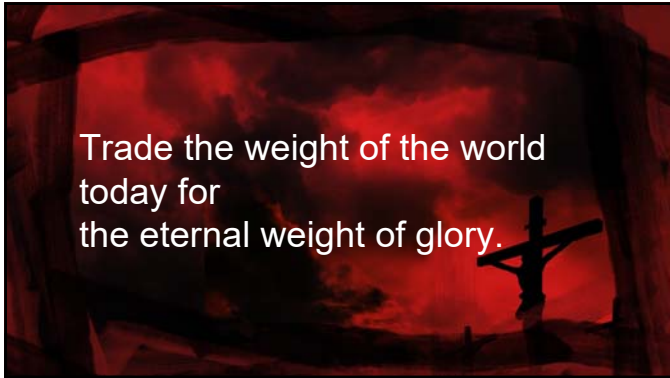
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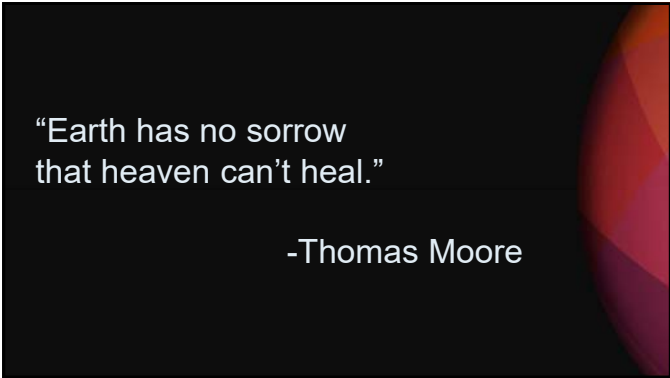


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Trade the weight of the world today for the eternal weight of glory.

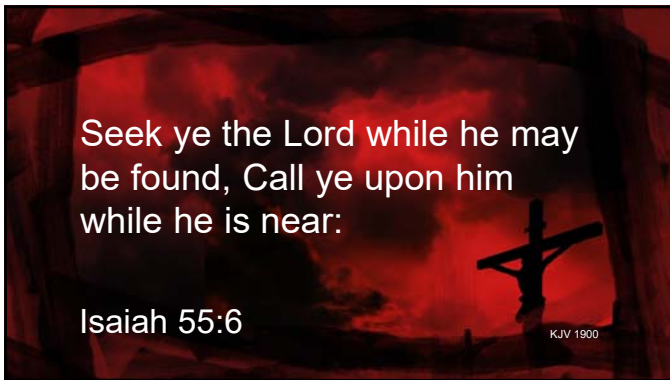
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“Earth has no sorrow that heaven can’t heal.”

-Thomas Moore

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Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, Call ye upon him while he is near:

Isaiah 55:6

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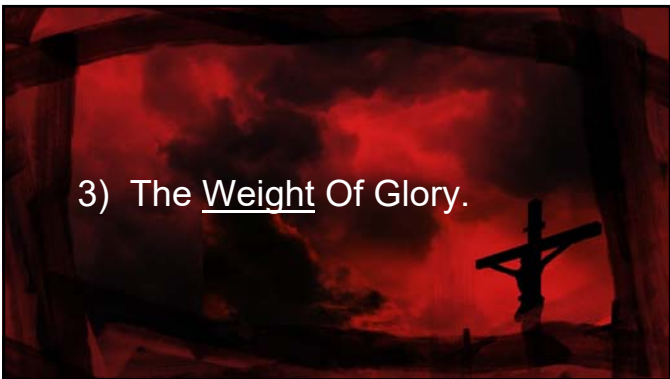
1) The Deceiver Is Busy.

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2) Be Faithful.

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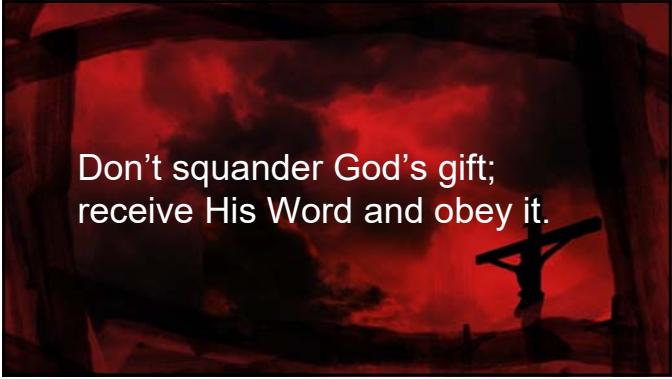


3) The Weight Of Glory.

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4) See The Unseen.



Don't squander God's gift;
receive His Word and obey it.