

**1 Samuel 12:19-24** The people all said to Samuel, "Pray to the Lord your God for your servants so that we will not die, for we have added to all our other sins the evil of asking for a king." 20 "Do not be afraid," Samuel replied. "You have done all this evil; yet do not turn away from the Lord, but serve the Lord with all your heart. 21 Do not turn away after useless idols. They can do you no good, nor can they rescue you, because they are useless. 22 For the sake of his great name the Lord will not reject his people, because the Lord was pleased to make you his own...



## the Lord and serve him faithfully with all your heart; consider what great things he has done for you.

23 As for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the Lord by failing to pray for you. And I will teach you the way that is good and right. 24 But be sure to fear



**Dead Sea Scrolls** has additional text prior to our v. 1. "And Nahash, king of the Ammonites, oppressed the Gadites and the Reubenites mightily and gouged out the right eye of every one of them and imposed fear and terror on Israel, and there remained not a man of the Israelites beyond the Jordan whose right eye Nahash, king of the Ammonites, did not gouge out. Only seven thousand men fled from the Ammonites and came to Jabesh-Gilead."



## **1 Samuel 10:26-27** men of valor whose hearts God had touched. present. But he held his peace.

Saul also went to his home at Gibeah, and with him went 27 But some worthless fellows said, "How can this man save us?" And they despised him and brought him no



**1 Samuel 11** Then Nahash the Ammonite went up and besieged Jabesh-gilead, and all the men of Jabesh said to Nahash, "Make a treaty with us, and we will serve you." 2 But Nahash the Ammonite said to them, "On this condition I will make a treaty with you, that I gouge out all your right eyes, and thus bring disgrace on all Israel." 3 The elders of Jabesh said to him, "Give us seven days" respite that we may send messengers through all the territory of Israel. Then, if there is no one to **save us**, we will give ourselves up to you." 4 When the messengers came to Gibeah of Saul, they reported the matter in the ears of the people, and all the people wept aloud...



5 Now, behold, Saul was coming from the field behind the oxen. And Saul said, "What is wrong with the people, that they are weeping?" So they told him the news of the men of Jabesh. 6 And the Spirit of God rushed upon Saul when he heard these words, and his anger was greatly kindled. 7 He took a yoke of oxen and cut them in pieces and sent them throughout all the territory of Israel by the hand of the messengers, saying, "Whoever does not come out after Saul and Samuel, so shall it be done to his oxen!" Then the dread of the Lord fell upon the people, and they came out as one man. 8 When he mustered them at Bezek, the people of Israel were three hundred thousand, and the men of Judah thirty thousand.



9 And they said to the messengers who had come, "Thus shall you say to the men of Jabesh-gilead: 'Tomorrow, by the time the sun is hot, you shall have **salvation.**" When the messengers came and told the men of Jabesh, they were glad. 10 Therefore the men of Jabesh said, "Tomorrow we will give ourselves up to you, and you may do to us whatever seems good to you." 11 And the next day Saul put the people in three companies. And they came into the midst of the camp in the morning watch and struck down the Ammonites until the heat of the day. And those who survived were scattered, so that no two of them were left together.



## put to death this day, for today the Lord has worked "Come, let us go to Gilgal and there renew the they made Saul king before the Lord in Gilgal. There they sacrificed peace offerings before the Lord, and there Saul and all the men of Israel rejoiced greatly.

12 Then the people said to Samuel, "Who is it that said, 'Shall Saul reign over us?' Bring the men, that we may put them to death." 13 But Saul said, "Not a man shall be salvation in Israel." 14 Then Samuel said to the people, kingdom." 15 So all the people went to Gilgal, and there



#### **Deuteronomy 13:4** Serve only the Lord your God and fear him alone. Obey his commands, listen to his voice, and cling to him.



#### Luke 4:8 And Jesus answered him, "It is written, "You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve."



#### **Matthew 10:28** the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell.

And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill



## **Revelation 2:15-17** sword of my mouth. to the churches.

Likewise, you also have those who hold to the teaching of the Nicolaitans. 16 Repent therefore! Otherwise, I will soon come to you and will fight against them with the

17 Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says



# Our need for salvation is given through what the Lord provides



#### 1. Jesus is our Savior



Luke 4:14-21 And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and a report about him went out through all the surrounding country. 15 And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all. Jesus Rejected at Nazareth 16 And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. 17 And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written,



18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, 19 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." 20 And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. 21 And he began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."



#### Acts 10:38

...God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.



## **Matthew 11:2-6** another?" 4 And Jesus answered them, "Go and tell deaf hear, and the dead are raised up, and the poor the one who is not offended by me."

Now when John heard in prison about the deeds of the Christ, he sent word by his disciples 3 and said to him, "Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for John what you hear and see: 5 the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the have good news preached to them. 6 And blessed is



#### **John 10:10** The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy.

I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.



**Romans 6:16-23 (NIV)** Don't you know that when you offer yourselves to someone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one you obey—whether you are slaves to sin, which leads to death, or to obedience, which leads to righteousness? 17 But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you have come to obey from your heart the pattern of teaching that has now claimed your allegiance. 18 You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness. 19 I am using an example from everyday life because of your human limitations...



Just as you used to offer yourselves as slaves to impurity and to ever-increasing wickedness, so now offer yourselves as slaves to righteousness leading to holiness. 20 When you were slaves to sin, you were free from the control of righteousness. 21 What benefit did you reap at that time from the things you are now ashamed of? Those things result in death! 22 But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life. 23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.



#### 1 Corinthians 15:57 through our Lord Jesus Christ.

But thank God! He gives us victory over sin and death



**Romans 8:31-37 (NLT)** What shall we say about such wonderful things as these? If God is for us, who can ever be against us? 32 Since he did not spare even his own Son but gave him up for us all, won't he also give us everything else? 33 Who dares accuse us whom God has chosen for his own? No one—for God himself has given us right standing with himself. 34 Who then will condemn us? No one—for Christ Jesus died for us and was raised to life for us, and he is sitting in the place of honor at God's right hand, pleading for us...



35 Can anything ever separate us from Christ's love? Does it mean he no longer loves us if we have trouble or calamity, or are persecuted, or hungry, or destitute, or in danger, or threatened with death? 36 (As the Scriptures say, "For your sake we are killed every day; we are being slaughtered like sheep.") 37 No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us.



#### **1 Timothy 1:1** Now he has made all of this plain to us by the appearing of Christ Jesus, our Savior. He broke the power of death and illuminated the way to life and immortality through the Good News.



## 2. Jesus Pours His Holy Spirit out upon His Church



#### **Acts 1:8** But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in of the earth."

Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end



# Acts 2:17-18

"And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.



#### Acts 2:32-33 God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all and has poured out what you now see and hear.

witnesses of it. 33 Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit



## Acts 2:38-39 your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy will call."

Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of Spirit. 39 The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God



## **Romans 16:17-19** work for God. 18 For I will not venture to speak of ministry of the gospel of Christ;

In Christ Jesus, then, I have reason to be proud of my anything except what Christ has accomplished through me to bring the Gentiles to obedience-by word and deed, 19 by the power of signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God—so that... I have fulfilled the



#### **1 Thessalonians 1:4-6** 4 For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, 5 because our gospel came to you not proved to be among you for your sake.

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#### **David Wilkerson**



#### Priest Would 'Cage' the Gangs

From UPI and New York Herald Trihune NEW YORK, Sept. 2-A prominent Roman Catholic priest, speaking at a funeral mass for the boy victim of a hoodlum gang, called today for mass arrests of teen-age toughs.

The Right Rev. Monsignor loseph A. McCalfrey denounced "do-gooders" who ay there is no such thing as a bad boy and said gang members should be caged 'like wild animals."

Monsignor McCaffrey, a former police chaplain, spoke from the altar of the Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church, after celebrating a Solemn Requiem Mass for Anthony Krzsinski, 16, one of wo youths fatally stabbed in MONSIGNOR McCAFFREY a playground Sunday.

The priest announced that he found it necessary to depart from the usual Catholic order of service, "in view of what has happened."

"The coddling theory has been tried and failed," he said, declaring that "the professional sob sisters and the over-sympathetic New York City Youth Board" are partly UPI Telephote to blame for the outbreak of juvenile violence. He wants mass arrests "The tap on the wrists by

known members of gangs be said. arrested and sent to jail," he "The only thing these juvenile gangs understand is said. "The police know who force. Let us meet force with "What we should do is to they are. You, yourselves, force in this war against ju-



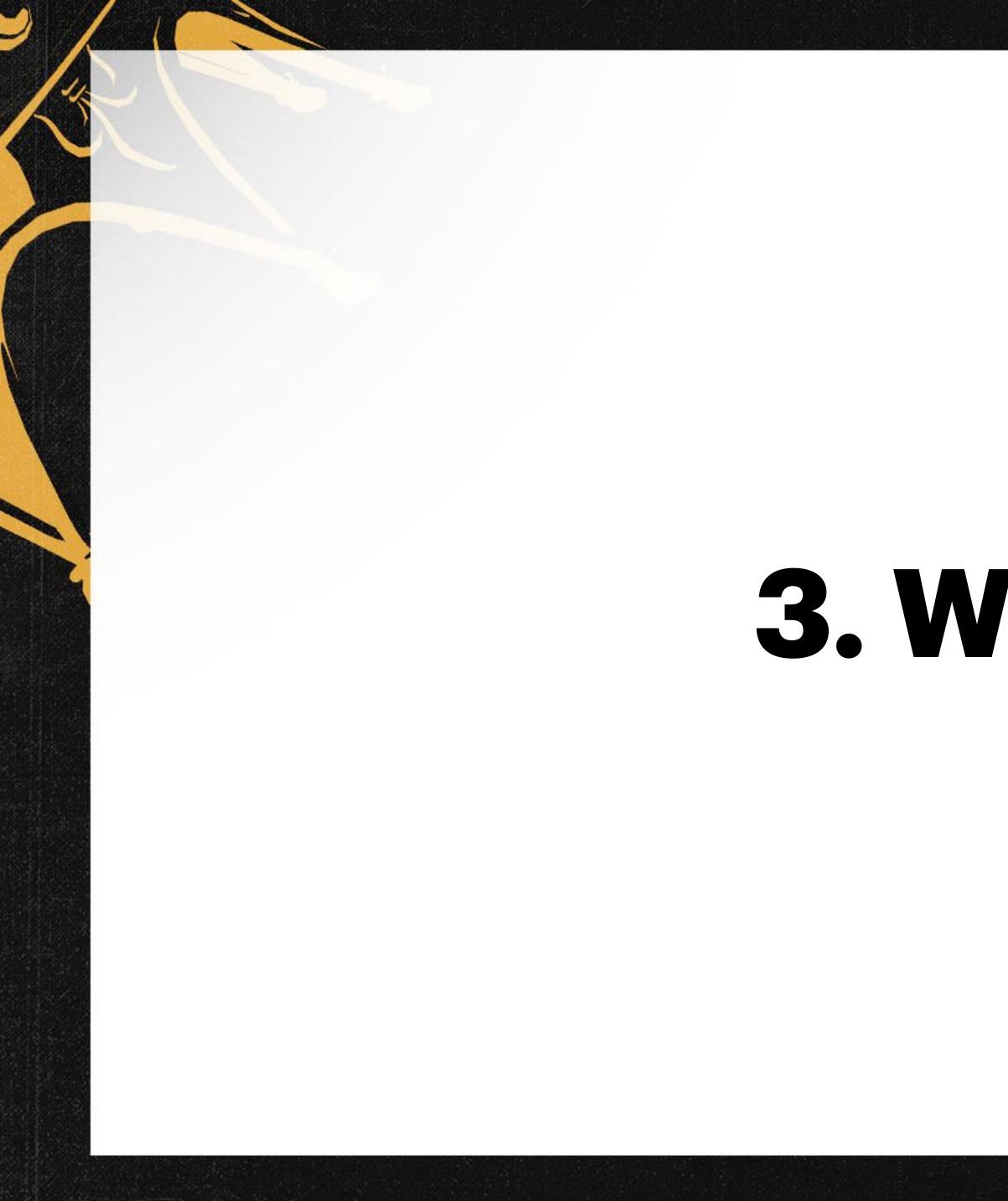
stand out, wearing their coats and jackets bearing the various gang names.

"I know that there is a cry that there is no room in jails or correction institutions. Then build more. Build more jails. Divert the money from other things, but build them.

"We cage wild animals .... shall not these boys and girls be caged?"

#### FORCE URGED

the courts is worthless," he



**3. Worship** 



# **Romans 12:1-2** his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. 2 Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—



#### **Hebrews 12:28-29** Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that God acceptably with reverence and awe, 29 for our "God is a consuming fire."

cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship





