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THE NEW TESTAMENT

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- **1**... in line with my stated views on the translation of the Hebrew words for **YAHWEH** and **Elohim** (as well as its derivatives *El* and *Eloah*.)
- **2**... the translation of the Hebrew/Aramaic word **ADONAI** to refer to either Master or Lord as distinct from **God** or Elohim or **YAHWEH** into English.

These alterations were included throughout by reference to:

- **1** the **HEBRAIC ROOTS BIBLE** by Don Esposito of the CONGREGATION OF YHWH: Jerusalem. PO Box 832 Carteret NJ 07008. (3rd Edition 2015)
- **2** the new **ARAMAIC ENGLISH NEW TESTAMENT** (AENT) By Andrew Gabriel Roth of the THE NETZARI PRESS LLC PUBLISHERS: First edition in 2008 through to the fifth edition in 2012.

Finally ... There has been no alteration of the name of JESUS from its original Peshitta Aramaic forms of YESHUA or Y'SHUA.

This is because any change in the name of **JESUS** would have been too personally confronting to the majority of devout Christians who have spent their entire lifetimes with the just as holy but traditional name of our Savior in English.

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ESSENTIAL SCRIPTURAL HIGHLIGHT

MOSES began praying to **YAHWEH** with **no scripture at all** that we can know of. He was taught by the **spoken language traditions** of his time. Regardless of this limitation, the Book of Exodus tells us that **MOSES** was directly told by **YAHWEH** Himself that His name was **YAHWEH**. Today's majority view on this name holds that it means **I AM THE I AM.**

The *JESUS* who sacrificed His life for *EACH* of us was a Jewish rabbi or 'teacher' of his time. He preached and consistently demonstrated (with many miracles) the power that could be generated by His love of *YAHWEH* like no-one else either before Him or since. *HIS* words from the (very) original but *ARAMAIC* gospel of Mark some *2000* years ago summarize His *still current instruction* to us all.

"Behold Israel, the Lord YAHWEH your Elohim (GOD) is one. You shall love the Lord YAHWEH your Elohim (GOD) with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength."

So what on earth could have caused the divine *GRACE* behind this access to unlimited divine power to seemingly disappear from global Christianity in practice? Even the Book of Revelation points out that our first century Christians started to abandon the teachings of *YAHWEH* through His son *JESUS* before the end of that century.

And over the last 1600 years especially, very few Christians indeed have been taught that our GOD of GODS .. and Eternal Father .. is still the very same YAHWEH who:

- (1) raised **JESUS** from the dead
- (2) powered all the miracles that were worked for *MOSES* and for *JESUS* and for all of the people who lived within the *1,400* years that separated their lives on earth.
- (3) was the YAHWEH that JESUS worshipped and still does worship. (Rev:3:12)
- (4) was the *YAHWEH* that *JESUS* told the entire world to worship.
- (5) still is the *YAHWEH* whose *HOLY NAME* has been blasphemously obliterated from around **5 billion** English Bibles that have been printed to date.

IN THE UNITED NAMES

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PERHAPS IF GLOBAL CHRISTIANITY PRAYED TO THE ORIGINAL NEW TESTAMENT TEAM OF 2000 YEARS AGO

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In the UNITED NAMES of the LORD YAHWEH and of the LORD JESUS and of the LORD HOLY SPIRIT

... OUR 2000 YEAR OLD NEW TESTAMENT ... entrenched problems from the era that its 27 books spent in their "WORD OF MOUTH PERIOD"

All brands of Christianity in the world have derived from what it has called the 'Holy' Bible.

With this Bible, every denomination has been legally free to simply choose the scriptures that it liked, and then to teach to its congregations whatever it is that it *wanted* to teach. So each of the world's 45,000 Christian denominations have basically taught those uniquely *selected* and *interpreted* scriptures that made up the official *rule book* from its nominated Head Office.

In the *addendum* to this publication I have described the problems that especially *English* speakers have with the inaccurate translations of Biblical scripture from their original *Hebrew* and *Aramaic* languages. But even after these translational inaccuracies have been removed ... many *seriously* confusing problems still remain. Most of these problems arose within the 1st and 2nd century period of time that *each* of our 27 *New Testament* books remained in its 'word of mouth' form ... before it was committed to writing for the first time.

After the death of **JESUS** on the cross, the 27 books of our New Testament existed for up to around 70 years only as word of mouth stories about His life and lessons. These stories were initially circulated within a Jewish community that mainly spoke and wrote in the Peshitta dialect of the **Aramaic** language.

Many within that community *also* communicated in Greek and Latin which were the main *commercial* languages of that era. But it was not until some 35 years after His death on the Cross that the *first* of these stories (said to be the gospel of Mark) was written. It is estimated that the remaining 26 stories were first converted into *written* form at different times within the second 35 year period that followed.

There are now many thousands of ancient manuscripts to attest to the life and lessons of **JESUS**. Some 16,000 of these were written in either the Greek or Latin: and another 9000 were written in Syriac, Slavic, Gothic, Ethiopic, Coptic and more. The **originals** however, were written in the Peshitta dialect of the **Aramaic** language that was spoken and written by **JESUS** and his disciples. And on average, this amounts to some **900** ancient manuscripts for **each** of the 27 New Testament books.

It took at least 70 years for these 27 word of mouth stories to be finally gathered into the written assembly of books which we now call the *New Testament*. The *Greek* version of this assembly was finally ratified by an early version of the *Roman Catholic* church the in the year 397 AD. It was these Rome based authorities which were also the ones who assigned the *name of the current author* to each of the 27 books.

It is important to bear in mind too, that throughout this minimum 70 year period of 'word of mouth' transmission, literally every reteller of his story was in a position to add or delete his own bits simply to suit his own personal theological or 'religious' preferences.

Hence, as the 'Secular Web' groups reports, there are usually *hundreds* of differences between any two copies of the one book among the ancient manuscripts for each of our 27 New Testament books. These events alone verify that our Biblical scripture was always at least as as '*human*' as it was 'holy': and there never has been evidence to justify the near incessant 20th century religious catchery that the '*Holy' Bible* is the *Word of God*.

GLOBAL CONFUSION CAUSED BY ADDED & DELETED BITS

A sufficiently informative list of historically *added*, *ignored*, *deleted* and *misinterpreted* bits of scripture is presented in the *addendum* to this publication ... but a few of the most globally destructive and deceptive bits warrant special attention at the outset.

SYMBOLIC scriptural bits declared as STATUTES before GOD

The *THIS IS MY BODY* bit of scripture: In the scripture *JESUS* at one stage said "*I am the vine* ... and my father is the farmer." This statement was spoken as a very simple and strictly *symbolic* one ... and no Christian in the 2000 years since then has ever been taught that *JESUS* ever once resembled a *mobile bunch of leaves*.

But a **second** (and similarly **symbolic** statement attributed to **JESUS**) has consistently brought some truly incomprehensible behaviors to especially **Catholic** and **Orthodox** church ceremonies for nearly two millennia. This second statement was reportedly said by **JESUS** at what is known as the "last supper" when ... at a simple and final **meal** table **JESUS** broke a loaf of bread and said these words ... "**This is my body.**". Then shortly after this he said these words "**Do this in remembrance of me.**"

And for most of the 2000 years since that time, the strictly regimented *Catholic* and *Orthodox* church *theologies* on this *communion* table statement of "... *This is is my body* ..." has required all their church members to believe the following: That whenever their ordained priests merely SAY these 4 words over bits of bread, then these *bits of bread* are *converted* into the actual *body and blood and soul and divinity* of *JESUS* himself.*

* This teaching on the communion table "miracle" is religiously referred to as the doctrine of TRANSUBSTITUTION or TRANSUBSTANTIATION

To me and to many others, it is impossible to concoct an officially stipulated theological teaching that could be more absurdly *wrong* than this. But this millennia old and *official theological ruling* does help to explain to at least the *non Christians* of the world why they see on the mass media (1) so many *hugely* expensive and incomprehensible '*fancy dress*' ceremonies in (2) *hugely* expensive churches and cathedrals by (3) men and women in their correspondingly elaborate religious uniforms.

To me and many others too ... the daily celebrations of the "This is my body" ritual by our Catholic, and Orthodox churches essentially tries to teach their congregations that the once and for all spiritual sacrifice of the life of the only begotten Son of the GOD OF ALL GODS (or of all 'SPIRITS') on the Cross wasn't enough for the spiritual salvation of humankind in its entirety.

To be fair by the Catholic and Orthodox groups: The Gospel of John (6:53) also reports **JESUS** as having said ... **Unless you eat the body of the Son of man and drink his blood you have no life of your own.** But as Andrew Roth points out, this statement in the context of the scripture at that time ... was issued as a rebuke and **not** as an exhortion to either **cannibalism** or to the **drinking of blood** ... both of which practices have all along been abhorrent to Judaism.

Non scriptural SAINTS prayed to as though each were a GOD or GODESS

The English word GOD derives from the Babylonian name for the god of wealth when (by contrast) the Hebraic word for the *GOD OF ALL GODS* has always been the word *ELOHIM*. And this word is grammatically singular as well as *plural* (like the English word *sheep*) and it means *GOD* and *GOD OF ALL GODS* (or of all 'SPIRITS') simultaneously.

The *Hebraic* scriptures have all along stated that the *NAME* of the *ELOHIM* (GOD) of the Bible is *YAHWEH* and that this name was originally given to *Moses* some 1,400 years before *JESUS* was born. In the original *Hebrew* and *Aramaic* scriptures this name of *YAHWEH* occurs a total of *6,999* times and this, when in the majority of English Bibles, it does *NOT* occur even once!

And nowhere in the Bible is there a scripture which tells us that YAHWEH the GOD OF ALL GODS either (1) changed his name or (2) sacked himself or (3) retired. The ELOHIM then, who is named in the Bible as YAHWEH, has all along been the Bible based creator of ALL of the different spirits (or of lesser 'gods'), each of which in its turn, 'builds' its own different living creature or its own different seed on the planet.

Or explained in biological terms: The *spirit* of every different living seed and of every different living creature is a *species specific* spirit. i.e. the spirit of the eagle builds *only* the eagle and the spirit of the elephant builds *only* the elephant ... and so on too, for *each* of all of our many thousands of different *plant* seeds as well.

YOUR very own personal Elohim or **GOD** then, is the SPIRIT who is behind the **eyes** that you see whenever you look in the mirror. This SPIRIT is the **ELOHIM** of **ALL**. And and his name in the Bible is and always has been **YAHWEH**. His only begotten **SON**, the Lord **JESUS**, preached this basic lesson to the world with the following words.

"Behold Israel, the Lord YAHWEH your ELOHIM (God of all Gods) is one. You shall love the Lord YAHWEH your ELOHIM (God of all Gods) with ALL your heart and with ALL your soul and with ALL your mind and with ALL your strength."

"This is the FIRST commandment. The SECOND is like this: You shall also love your neighbour as you love yourself"

THEN

"There is NO other commandment greater than these."

With instructions about who we should *pray* to as explicit as this there seems almost no excuse for us to begin any prayer to other than (1) *YAHWEH* our *ELOHIM* together with (2) *JESUS* our *SAVIOUR* and also including (3) the *LORD Holy Spirit*. And this *third* one also, simply because as no Christian should ever forget, it was the *LORD Holy Spirit* who worked all of the miracles after the death of *JESUS* on the cross.

And simply *NOWHERE* within some 750,000 words or 31,000 verses of Biblical scripture does it recommend that any human being pray to any *SAINT*.

No **SAINT** ever had anything to do with the designing or building of the **brain** that any human being ever **thought** with. All of the **Catholic** and **Orthodox saints** then ... including especially the saint known as the "Virgin Mary" ... are exclusively the make believe **GODS** and **GODESSES** of the world's Catholic and Orthodox churches. And there are some 12,500 officially authorised "saints" within the religious rule books of these two major churches alone.

Is it only by chance that prayer to YAHWEH has disappeared GLOBALLY?

Of the estimated **2.6 billion** Christians in the world, some **1.6** billion of them claim to be of the Catholic and Orthodox persuasions who pray both to **JESUS** as well as to some 12,500 non scriptural **saints** ... but almost never to **YAHWEH**.

Likewise, millions of Christian 'Protestants' around the world also fail to include the name of *YAHWEH* in their prayers. And this when, as emphasized earlier, the name of *YAHWEH* occurs 6,999 times within the original Hebrew and Aramaic scriptures. These *Hebraic* scriptures are still precisely those scriptures which still have *JESUS* and *YAHWEH* as *exclusively* occupying centre stage.

The three vital NAMES within the ELOHIM are also conspicuously MISSING from what Christians call the SIGN OF THE CROSS

The the *arm movements* that go with the <u>sign of the cross</u> are recognised by people around the world ... but the *prayer words* of the <u>sign of the cross</u> are usually known only by those who make the arm movements. These *prayer words* come from the Gospel of Matthew and they are as follows "In the NAME of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

Christians making the sign of the cross have prayed exactly the above words to their religion's FATHER and His SON many times ... and every day ... for literally centuries. Usually too, these words both open and close every prayer event by at least the 1.3 billion Catholics of the world. And this even when they are praying by NAME to their unscriptural SAINTS ... whilst simultaneously avoiding any mention of the NAME of YAHWEH their GOD OF ALL GODS (SPIRITS?) and any mention of the NAME of His Savior Son JESUS!

How do YAHWEH, JESUS and the LORD Holy Spirit "receive" these words?

This is an unanswerable question. But just how have the above <u>sign of the cross</u> words been *received* by the *FATHER* and *SON* and the *LORD* Holy Spirit when the very NAME of the *Father* is not mentioned and the very NAME of the *Son* is not mentioned ... and the TITLE of *LORD* has never preceded the words *Holy Spirit*?

It is essential for me to reiterate clearly that no Christian should ever forget that it was the *LORD Holy Spirit* who worked all of the New Testament's miracles after the death of *JESUS* on the cross.

It is a *preposterous* Christian era indeed when a majority of its 2.6 billion believers daily invoke the NAMES of up to thousands of their make believe SAINTS but rarely in similar manner, the NAMES of either their GOD OF ALL GODS or of their SAVIOR

THE TRANSLATIONAL LIE FROM HEBREW CONTINUES TO THIS DAY

Below is an example of a modern but still *Biblical* translation from Hebrew to English. It shows that TWO very different Hebrew words are given the very SAME English translation of *LORD*. And one of these translations represents the *LIE* that is repeated *6999* times in all of the *English* Bibles that are listed below this example.

י ניאמֶר מֹשֶׁה אֶ - יְהנָה , בִּי אֲדֹנָי לֹא אִישׁ דְּבָרִים אָנֹכִי גַּם מִתְּמוֹל גַּם מִשִּׁלְשׁם, גַּם מֵאָז דַּבֶּרָדְ אֶל-עַבְדֶּךְ: כִּי כְבַד-פֶּה וּכְבַד לָשׁוֹן, אַנֹכִי.

THE MOST POPULAR BIBLES IN THE WORLD

Since around 1611AD the world's publishing companies have printed some 5 billion to 7 billion Bibles in almost 4000 languages. Every year the Bible is the world's best selling book and there are around 100 translations of the Bible in **English** alone.

Currently, the five best selling *English* Bibles are:

The King James Version 55%
The New International Version 19%
The New Revised Standard Version 7%
The New American Bible 6%
The Living Bible 5%

Currently too, the main *problems* with all five of them are as follows:

None of them even once mentions the word ELOHIM
None of them even once mentions the word YAHWEH
None of them even once puts the title LORD before the words Holy Spirit

It is a truly DUMB HEAP of translated English Bibles about YAHWEH (THE GOD OF ALL GODS!) that clearly do not mention His NAME even once!

MOST OF THE CHRISTIANS IN THE WORLD NEED TO BE TOLD THAT

The name of the *ELOHIM* (GOD) who built the *brain* that *JESUS* thought with is *YAHWEH*The name of the *ELOHIM* (GOD) who powered all the miracles for *JESUS* is *YAHWEH*The name of the *ELOHIM* (GOD) who raised *JESUS* from the dead is *YAHWEH*The name of the *ELOHIM* (GOD) whom *JESUS* told the world to worship is *YAHWEH*

TWO SPECIAL CONTRADICTIONS FROM THE WORD OF MOUTH ERA

In earlier writing I referred to the list of inconsistences that were noted by Donald Morgan of the Secular Web group. These inconsistencies remain in *ALL* New Testaments ... regardless of the translation into English that you have chosen to read.

Our New Testament has over 170 "inconsistencies" within the basic information that it provides about **JESUS** and his life and lessons. **Most** of these inconsistencies are minor but some are definitely not. The two following are sufficiently **arresting** to convince others ... such as yourself to ... **do a lot of praying first** and then begin larger checks of your own

1. Three different REPORTS on the last words of JESUS on the CROSS

There are three scriptures that very differently *quote* the final words of *JESUS* on the cross. These three scriptures follow:

"My God My God why hast Thou forsaken Me!" MT 27:46-50 MK 15: 34-37 "Father, into Thy hands I commit My spirit." LK 23: 46 "It is finished." JN 19: 30

2. The UNFORGIVABLE sin: blasphemy against the Holy Spirit

THREE different scriptures tell us that **ALL** sins are forgivable: AC 13:39 CN 2:13 1 JN 1:9.

The above three scriptures occur *after* the four Gospels and they *contradict* the following scriptures that are reported *as quotes* from the mouth of *JESUS*.

"But whosoever speaketh against the Holy Spirit it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world nor the world to come." MT 12:32

"But he that shall blaspheme against the Holy Spirit hath never forgiveness, but is in danger of eternal damnation." MK 3:29

"But unto him that blasphemeth against the Holy Spirit it shall not be forgiven."

LK 12:10

In the *final* analysis, any scripture that we can personally claim as "given by God" derives exclusively from our own personal and holy and loving relationship with the GOD OF ALL GODS (or of all 'SPIRITS') who built each of our brains... and who is still supervising ... all of the thoughts that it produces. And this GOD ... regardless of our chosen church ... will forever remain as the SPIRIT who is behind the eyes that we see whenever we look in the mirror.

Universally, the Christian pathway to this ELOHIM called YAHWEH is through his only begotten SON the LORD JESUS. But globally the so called "Christian" world seems to have missed this pathway almost completely. Almost none of the Christian churches in the English speaking world have scriptural justification for claiming that their chosen teachings derive directly from the 'GOD' of our so seriously mistranslated English Bibles.

ALONGSIDE

THE MEASURE OF INTELLIGENCE WHO BUILT THE BRAIN THAT HE THOUGHT WITH EVEN ALBERT EISTEIN WAS AN INTELLECTUALLY PRIMITIVE MICROBE

The **ELOHIM** (GOD) of the Bible who is named as **YAHWEH** is believed by Christianity to be the *CREATOR* of *EVERYTHING* which includes

the creation of

- (1) the void of *time* that everything exists in
- (2) the *plurality* that comes as a *function* of time.
- (3) the different spirit that has built every different seed since time began.
- (4) the different spirit too ... that has built every different living creature

The idea too, of *distance* within the framework of this Christian belief is believed to be a function of the *time* that *YAHWEH* created. This belief about the relationship of *time* to *distance* starts to make sense when we bear in mind (1) that modern science reports that the *most distant* object from our Earth is 13 billion *light years* away and (2) that light travels some 300,000 kilometres in a single *second*.

Only in the realm an OMNIPOTENT ELOHIM can a distance of this immensity exist.

SOME POSSIBLY HELPFUL THOUGHTS ON PRAYER

Every prayer at its spiritual basis is simply an attempt to communicate with the creator Spirit who designed and built the brain that *each* of us uses to *think* with.

Both you and your *Creator Spirit* (or 'Elohim') *understand* the language that you personally think with. Otherwise basic and personal (*two way*) communication between you and your creator Elohim (GOD) would fail *eternally*. Even the simplest of effective praying must forever remain as this *two* way communication between you and your Elohim (GOD).

YOUR VERY OWN PERSONAL GOD IS FOREVER IN YOUR BRAIN WITH YOU AND WITH ALL OF HIS ANGELS AND THIS ALL OF THE TIME

Wherever our **ELOHIM** (GOD OF ALL GODS) is, His **ministering spirits** too are with Him, and this **all** of the time. No other view or theory on the **precise whereabouts** of both Elohim (GOD) and his **angels** makes any sense at all. This is why the Hebrew word '**ELOHIM**' (which is both singular and plural) is a much better word than the English word GOD or the Greek word THEOS or the Latin word DEUS as a reference to our creator who creates every person **individually**.

A paraphrase from *Psalm 82* adds some light here: "You are GODS (Elohim?) yet you shall each die like a MAN." None of humankind's 45,000 Christian denominations choose to sufficiently emphasize this most fundamental spiritual reality that underpins the design and construction of the brain that is in every (single) human head.

Christian scripture too, declares "In the Beginning was the WORD and the WORD was with ELOHIM and ELOHIM was the WORD." It also declares that ELOHIM (GOD) is and always was the "Alpha and the Omega." or if we prefer the Aramaic here "the Aleph and the Tav." These two simple declarations so neatly summarise that ELOHIM (GOD) is actually the FIRST WORD ever spoken by humankind and the LAST word too.

There has never been a clearer way than these two Scriptures to summarise the *ultimate* truth that *ELOHIM* (GOD) alone has been the *ever present spirtual powerhouse* that has underpinned *every* word that your human brain (with its 100 *billion* cells) has ever thought of or spoken.

ALL EFFECTIVE PRAYER IS A TWO WAY COMMUNICATION PROCESS WHICH YOU SHARE WITH THE GOD WHO BUILT YOU

For around 170 human *generations* (from roughly the time of Moses onwards) *Christianity* as well as *Islam* have largely failed to teach prayer routines that have been designed to communicate (with *shared* love) in the essential *TWO WAY* process between you and the *ELOHIM* who built you...

We need to remember constantly that our own **LOVE** for the **ELOHIM** in our **heads** and in our **hearts** and in our **blood streams** is close enough to the **only** valuable thing in the world that even He our **ELOHIM** is quite **unable** to **create**! Love has always been a **two** way process ... and this in **all species** from eagles through to elephants.

Until the arrival of the mid 20th century, Catholic churches required all its *cardinals*, *bishops* and *priests* to pray in LATIN whenever conducting its religious ceremonies. But the Latin language had globally *died* as a commonly spoken language many *centuries* before this! The *Quran* of *Islam* too, is still today written in the 7th century ARABIC of its founding prophet and this when *today* almost *no Muslims* speak it!

The above two examples of *trying to communicate* with a GOD OF GODS in a language that you yourself do NOT understand is nothing better than a religiously imposed *imbecility* that is totally removed from the LOVE that the *GOD OF GODS* and his only begotten son *JESUS* want to SHARE with you!

ALL EFFECTIVE PRAYER IS A TWO WAY COMMUNICATION OF LOVE

YOUR MOST POWERFUL PRAYERS

ARE THE ONES THAT BOTH YOU AND YOUR GOD UNDERSTAND ... AND SO OFTEN ...

THEY CANNOT BE FOUND IN EITHER THE BIBLE OR IN ISLAM'S QURAN

Neither the *Abraham* of 4,000 years ago nor the *Moses* of 3,400 years ago had any scripture to *read* or *refer* to: Hebrew writing in its original (Paleo Hebrew)) form first occurs in the archaeological record some 600 years after the death of Moses. They simply *loved* and *believed* in the *ELOHIM* (GOD) who they prayed to ... and who *DID* apparently answer both of them with heaps of miracles that were subsequently described in the Bible.

So it's probably a good idea to keep our prayers to the Lord **YAHWEH** and the Lord **JESUS** and to the Lord **HOLY SPIRIT** both very simple and constant. And it's a good idea too, to make sure that they constantly express LOVE and THANKS.

My own *daily* prayers are constantly in my head and heart and bloodstream. Always too they address the original DIVINE and UNITED TEAM that has *always* consisted of (1) The *Lord YAHWEH* and (2) The *Lord JESUS* and (3) The Lord *HOLY SPIRIT*.

The wording too of these (full time) prayers remains similar to the following:

My UNITED omnipotent ELOHIM and eternal GODHEAD TRINITY?*

My Lord YAHWEH.

My Lord JESUS.

My Lord HOLY SPIRIT.

I LOVE you with everything I've got.
I THANK you also with everything I've got.
I am constantly STUNNED that YOU love me too!

PLEASE teach me to PRAY for the things that YOU want of me.
YOU are ... full time ... in my head with ME ... and with all of your ANGELS.
This realization of your PRESENCE within me is the biggest PRIVILEGE of my life.

So PLEASE continue teaching me HOW TO PRAY and WHAT TO PRAY FOR.

Only in this way shall I be able to serve YOU full time.

*A note about the TRINITY

The TRINITY has all along been the intellectual creation of a Greek speaking theologian of the 2nd century. He argued that there were three "*persons*" in the "*godhead*" which he named as the TRINITY. The *error* that he made becomes obvious as soon as we observe that there *could* have been only one *person* ... the Lord JESUS ... but three spiritual *identities*.

AND WHERE IS THE SPIRIT CALLED SATAN IN ALL THIS MESS?

Both *Islam* and *Christianity* believe in the existence of a spirit that they name as *SATAN*. I personally have *seen SATAN*... and on one occasion... I also saw a *demon* at the *same time* as my companion saw it. *SATAN* and his demons *do* exist. The Old Testament mentions Satan 19 times and the New Testament 34 times. The *Book of Psalms* with its 42,000 words of mainly *prayers* surprisingly mentions Satan only *once*... while *JESUS* is reported as mentioning him 17 times.

But Satan *does* exist ... and every human being since time began has been harrassed by both his dreams as well as his stinking thoughts or "temptations". Again ... from my personal experience ... I have actually *smelled* Satan too. He and his demons are collectively the most putrid *stench* of all creation. An animal carcass in the middle of summer is the closest event that reminds me of him.

Most surprisingly of all (even after 2000 years) Christianity hasn't evolved a universally acceptable *proactive prayer* against Satan and I often *wonder* how this could be. I simply *guess* that our united *Lord YAHWEH* and *Lord JESUS* and *LORD Holy Spirit* want jointly to teach such a prayer to *each* of his sons and daughters separately.

THE PHONETIC ENGLISH BIBLE

THE PAGES WHICH FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY

- 1. The pages which follow immediately contain scriptures that have been modified in line with the editorial constraints that I have detailed at the beginning.
- 2. A simplified overview of the technical details that have been involved in designing the 'phonetically regular' script for written English is provided in the final pages of this book.
- 3. The full technical details of this new script for English teachers are provided on my website. www.phoneticenglishbible.com

A NOTE ABOUT HIGH FREQUENCY 'CONNECTOR WORDS

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MATTHEW

Matthew 1

The book of the genealogy of Jeşuş Christ the son of David, the son of Abraham. 2 Abraham became the fäther of Isaac. Isaac became the fäther of Jacob. Jacob became the father of Judah and his brothers. 3 Judah became the fäther of Perez and Zerah by Tamar. Perez became the fäther of Hezron. Hezron became the fäther of Ram. 4 Ram became the fäther of Amminadab. Amminadab became the fäther of Nähshon. Nähshon became the fäther of Salmon. 5 Salmon became the father of Boaz by Rahab. Boaz became the fäther of Obed by Ruth. Obed became the fäther of Jesse. 6 Jesse became the fäther of King David. David became the fäther of Solomon by her who had been Uriah's wife. 7 Solomon became the father of Rehoboam. Rehoboam became the fäther of Abijäh. Abijäh became the fäther of Asa. 8 Asa became the fäther of Jehoshaphat. Jehoshaphat became the fäther of Joram. Joram became the father of Uzziah. 9 Uzziah became the father of Jotham. Jotham became the fäther of Ahaz. Ahaz became the fäther of Hezekiah. 10 Hezekiah became the fäther of Manasseh. Manasseh became the fäther of Amon, Amon became the fäther of Josiah. 11 Josiah became the fäther of Jechoniah and his brothers, at the time of the exile to Babylon. 12 After the exile to Babylon, Jechoniah became the fäther of Shealtiel. Shealtiel became the fäther of Zerubbabel. 13 Zerubbabel became the fäther of Abiùd. Abiùd became the father of Eliakim, Eliakim became the father of Azor, 14 Azor became the fäther of Zadok, Zadok became the fäther of Achim, Achim became the fäther of Eliud. 15 Eliud became the father of Eleazar. Eleazar became the father of Matthan. Matthan became the fäther of Jacob. 16 Jacob became the fäther of Joseph, the husband of Mary, from whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ. 17 So äll the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; from David to the exile to Babylon fourteen generations; and from the carrying away to Babylon to the Christ, fourteen generations. 18 New the bîrth of Jeşuş Christ was like this; for äfter his mother, Mary, was engaged to Joseph, before they came together, she was found pregnant by the Holy Spirit. 19 Joseph, her huşband, being a righteous man, and not willing to make her a public example, intended to put her away secretly. 20 But when he thought about these things, behold, an angel of YAHWEH appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, don't be afraid to take to yourself Mary, your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. 21 She shall give bîrth to a son. You shall call his name Jeşuş, for it is he who shall save his people from their sins."

22 Now all this has happened, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the YAHWEH through the prophet, saying,

- 23 "Behold, the vîrgin shall be with child, and shall give bîrth to a son. They shall call his name Immanuel"; which is, being interpreted, "our El is with us."
- 24 Joseph aroşe from hiş sleep, and did as the angel of **YAHWEH** commanded him, and took his wife to himself; 25 and didn't know her sexually until she had given bîrth to her fîrstborn son. He named him Jeşuş.

Matthew 2

Now when Jeşuş was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of King Herod, behold, wise men from the east came to Jeruşalem, saying, 2 "Where is he who is born King of the Jews? For we saw his star in the east, and have come to worship him." 3 When King Herod heard it, he was troubled, and all Jeruşalem with him. 4 Gathering together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he asked them where the Christ would be born. 5 They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for this is written through the prophet,

- 6 'You Bethlehem, land of Judah, are in no way least among the princes of Judah: for out of you shall come a governor, who shall shepherd my people, Işrael."
- 7 Then Herod secretly called the wise men, and learned from them exactly what time the star appeared. 8 He sent them to Bethlehem, and said, "Go and search diligently for the young child. When you have found him, bring me word, so that I also may come and worship him."
- 9 They, having heard the king, went their way; and behold, the stär, which they såw in the east, went before them, until it came and stood over where the young child was. 10 When they såw the stär, they rejoiced with exceedingly great joy. 11 They came into the house and såw the young child with Mary, his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Opening their treasures, they offered to him gifts: gold, frankincense, and myrrh. 12 Being wårned in a dream that they shoù/dn't retûrn to Herod, they went back to their own country another way.
- 13 Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of YAHWEH appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, "Arişe and take the young child
- and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and stay there until I tell you, for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him."
- 14 He aroşe and took the young child and his mother by night, and departed interequipments interequipments and was there until the death of Herod; that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by YAHWEH through the prophet, saying, "Out of Egypt I called my son."
- 16 **Th**en Herod, when he saw **th**at he was mock ed by the wise men, was exceedingly angry, and sent out, and killed all the male children who

were in Bethlehem and in **ä**ll the surrounding countryside, from two years old and under, according to the exact time which he had learned from the wise men. 17 Then that which was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet was fulfilled, saying,

18 "A voi**ç**e was h**ê**ard in Ramah, lamentati**o**n, w**ee**ping and great m**o**urning, Rachel w**ee**ping for her **ch**ildren; she wo**u**/dn't be c**o**mforted, bec**a** u**ş**e **th**ey are n**o** m**o**re."

19 But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of YAHWEH appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, saying, 20 "Arişe and take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Işrael, for those who sought the young child's life are dead."

21 He arose and took the young child and his mother, and came into the land of Israel. 22 But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning over Judea in the place of his fäther, Herod, he was afraid to go there. Being warned in a dream, he withdrew into the region of Galilee, 23 and came and lived in a city called Nazareth; that it might be fulfilled which was spoken through the prophets: "He will be called a Nazarene."

Matthew 3

In **those** days, John the Baptizer came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea, saying, 2 "Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand!" 3 For **th**is is he whe was spoken of by Isaiah the prophet, saying,

"The voiçe of one crying in the wilderness, make ready the way of YAHWEH. Make his päths straight."

4 New John himself wore clothing made of camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist. His feed was locusts and wild honey. 5 Then people from Jeruşalem, äll of Judea, and äll the region around the Jordan went out to him. 6 They were baptized by him in the Jordan, confessing their sins. 7 But when he saw many of the Pharisees and

Sadduçeeş coming for his baptişm, he said to them, "You offspring of viperş, who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? 8 Therefore produçe fruit worthy of repentance! 9 Don't think to yourselveş, 'We have Abraham for our father,' for I tell you that Elohim is able to raise up children to Abraham from these stones.

10 "Even now the ax lieş at the root of the treeş. Therefore every tree that doeşn't produçe good fruit is cut down, and cast into the fire. 11 I indeed baptize you in water for repentance, but he who comeş after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you in the Holy Spirit. 12 His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will thoroughly cleanse his threshing floor. He will gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will bûrn up with unquenchable fire."

- 13 **Th**en Jeşuş came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. 14 But John would have hindered him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and you come to me?"
- 15 But Jeşuş, answering, said to him, "Allow it now, for this is the fitting way for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed him. 16 Jeşuş, when he was baptized, went up directly from the water: and behold, the heavenş were opened to him. He saw the Spirit of Elohim descending as a dove, and coming on him. 17 Behold, a voiçe out of the heavenş said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleaşed."

Matthew 4

Then Jeşuş was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. 2 When he had fästed forty days and forty nights, he was hungry äfterward. 3 The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of Elohim, command that these stones become bread."

- 4 But he answered, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of Elohim."
- 5 **Th**en the devil took him into the holy city. He set him on the pinnacle of the temple, 6 and said to him, "If you are the Son of **Elohim**, throw yourself down, for it is written, 'He will put his angels in charge of you.' and,
- 'On their handş they will bear you up, so that you don't dash your foot against a stone."
- 7 Jeşuş said to him, "Again, it iş written, 'You shall not test YAHWEH, your Elohim."
- 8 Again, the devil took him to an exceedingly high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world, and their glory. 9 He said to him, "I will give you all of these things, if you will fall down and worship me."
- 10 Then Jeşuş said to him, "Get behind me, Satan! For it iş written, 'You shall wôrship YAHWEH your Elohim, and you shall sêrve him only."
- 11 **Then** the devil left him, and behold, angels came and served him. 12 New when Jesus heard that John was delivered up, he withdrew intercallee. 13 Leaving Nazareth, he came and lived in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali, 14 that it might be fulfilled which was spoken through Isaiah the prophet, saying,
- 15 "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, toward the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles, 16 the people who sat in därkness såw a great light, to those who sat in the region and shadow of death to them light has dåwned."

17 From **th**at **time**, **Jeşuş** began to pr**each**, and to s**a**y, "Repent! For the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand."

18 Wå/king by the sea of Galilee, he såw two brothers: Simon, who is cålled Peter, and Andrew, his brother, cästing a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. 19 He said to them, "Come äfter me, and I will make you fishers for men."

20 **Th**ey immediately left **th**eir nets and followed him. 21 **Go**ing on from **th**ere, he såw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their fäther, mending their nets. He cålled **th**em. 22 **Th**ey immediately left the boat and **th**eir fäther, and followed him.

23 Jeşuş went about in äll Galilee, teaching in their synagogueş, preaching the Good Newş of the Kingdom, and healing every dişeaşe and every sickness among the people. 24 The report about him went out into äll Syria. They brought to him äll who were sick, afflicted with various diseases and torments, possessed with demons, epileptics, and paralytics; and he healed them. 25 Great multitudes from Galilee, Decapolis, Jeruşalem, Judea and from beyond the Jordan followed him.

Matthew 5

Seeing the multitudes, he went up onto the mountain. When he had sat down, his disciples came to him. 2 He opened his mouth and thught them, saying,

3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven. 4 Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. 5 Blessed are the gentle, for they shall inherit the earth. 6 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst äfter righteousness, for they shall be filled. 7 Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy. 8 Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see Elohim. 9 Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of Elohim. 10 Blessed are those who have been persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

11 "Blessed are you when people reproach you, persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely, for my sake. 12 Rejoice, and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven. For that is how they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

13 "You are the salt of the earth, but if the salt has lost its flavor, with what will it be salted? It is then good for nothing, but to be cast out and trodden under the feet of men. 14 You are the light of the world. A city located on a hill can't be hidden. 15 Neither do you light a lamp, and put it under a measuring basket, but on a stand; and it shines to all who are in the house. 16 Even so, let your light shine before men; that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.

17 "Don't think that I came to destroy the law or the prophets. I didn't come to destroy, but to fulfill. 18 For most certainly, I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not even one smallest letter or one tiny pen stroke shall in any way pass away from the law, until all things are accomplished. 19 Wheever, therefore, shall break one of these least commandments, and teach others to do so, shall be called least in the Kingdom of Heaven; but wheever shall do and teach them shall be called great in the Kingdom of Heaven. 20 For I tell you that unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, there is no way you will enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.

21 "You have heard that it was said to the ancient ones, 'You shall not murder;' and 'wheever murders will be in danger of the judgment.' 22 But I tell you, that everyone whe is angry with his brother without a cause will be in danger of the judgment; and wheever says to his brother, 'Raca!' will be in danger of the council; and wheever says, 'You feel!' will be in danger of the fire of Gehenna.

23 "If therefore you are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that your brother has anything against you, 24 leave your gift there before the altar, and go your way. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. 26 Agree with your adversary quickly, while you are with him on the way; lest perhaps the prosecutor

deliver you to the judge, and the judge deliver you to the officer, and you be cast into prison. 26 Most certainly I tell you, you shall by no means get out of there, until you have paid the last penny.

27 "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery;' 28 but I tell you that everyone who gazes at a woman to lust after her has committed adultery with her already in his heart. 29 If your right eye causes you to stumble, pluck it out and throw it away from you. For it is more profitable for you that one of your members should perish, than for your whole body to be cast into Gehenna. 30 If your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off, and throw it away from you. For it is more profitable for you that one of your members should perish, than for your whole body to be cast into Gehenna.

31 "It was **å**Is**o** said, 'Wheever **sh**all p**u**t away his wife, let him give her a writing of div**ô**r**ç**e,' 32 but I tell you **th**at wheever p**u**ts away his wife, ex**c**ept for the c**å**u**ş**e of sexual immorality, makes her an adulteress; and wheever marries her when she is p**u**t away commits adultery.

33 "Again you have heard that it was said to them of old time, 'You shall not make false vews, but shall perform to YAHWEH your vews,' 34 but I tell you, don't swear at all: neither by heaven, for it is the throne of Elohim; 35 nor by the earth, for it is the footsteel of his feet; nor by Jerusalem, for it is the çity of the great King.

36 Neither shall you swear by your head, for you can't make one hair white or black.

37 But let your 'Yes' be 'Yes' and your 'No' be 'No.' Whatever is more than these is of the evil one.

38 "You have heard that it was said, 'An eye for an eye, and a teeth for a teeth.' 39 But I tell you, don't resist him whe is evil; but wheever strikes you on your right cheek, turn to him the other also. 40 If anyone sues you to take away your coat, let him have your cloak also. 41 wheever compels you to go one mile, go with him twe. 42 Give to him whe asks you, and don't turn away him whe desires to borrow from you.

43 "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' 44 But I tell you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who mistreat you and persecute you, 45 that you may be children of your Fäther who is in heaven. For he makes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the just and the unjust. 46 For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Don't even the tax collectors do the same? 47 If you only greet your friends, what more do you do than others? Don't even the tax collectors do the same? 48 Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Fäther in heaven is perfect.

Matthew 6

"Be careful that you don't do your charitable giving before men, to be seen by them, or else you have no reward from your Fäther who is in heaven. 2 Therefore when you do mêrciful deeds, don't sound a trumpet before yourself, as the Hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may get glory from men. Most cêrtainly I tell you, they have received their reward. 3 But when you do mêrciful deeds, don't let your left hand know what your right hand does, 4 so that your mêrciful deeds may be in secret, then your Fäther who sees in secret will reward you openly.

5 "When you pray, you shall not be as the Hypocrites, for they love to stand and pray in the synagogueş and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by men. Most certainly, I tell you, they have received their reward. 6 But you, when you pray, enter into your inner reem, and having shut your door, pray to your Fäther whe is in secret, and your Fäther whe sees in secret will reward you openly. 7 In praying, don't use vain repetitions, as the Gentiles do; for they think that they will be heard for their much speaking. 8 Therefore don't be like them, for your Fäther knows what things you need, before you ask him. 9 Pray like this: 'Our Fäther in heaven, may your name be kept holy. 10 Let your Kingdom come. Let your will be done, as in heaven, so on earth. 11 Give us today our daily bread. 12 Forgive us our debts, as we also forgive our debtors.

- 13 Bring us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For yours is the Kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.'
- 14 "For if you forgive men **their** trespässeş, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. 15 But if you don't forgive men **their** trespässeş, neither will your Father forgive your trespässes.
- 16 "Moreover when you fäst, don't be like the Hypocrites, with sad façeş. For they disfigure their façeş, that they may be seen by men to be fästing. Most çêrtainly I tell you, they have reçeived their rewård. 17 But you, when you fäst, anoint your head, and wash your façe; 18 so that you are not seen by men to be fästing, but by your Fäther who is in secret, and your Fäther, who sees in secret, will rewård you.
- 19 "Don't lay up treaşureş for yourselveş on the earth, where moth and rust consume, and where thieves break through and steal; 20 but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consume, and where thieves don't break through and steal; 21 for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.
- 22 "The lamp of the body is the eye. If **therefore** your eye is sound, your whole body will be full of light. 23 But if your eye is evil, your whole body will be full of därkness. If **therefore** the light **that** is in you is därkness, how great is the därkness!
- 24 "No one can sêrve two mästers, for either he will hate the one and love the other; or else he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You can't sêrve both Elohim and Mammon. 25 Therefore I tell you, don't be anxious for your life: what you will eat, or what you will drink; nor yet for your body, what you will wear. Isn't life more than food, and the body more than clothing? 26 See the birds of the sky, that they don't sow, neither do they reap, nor gather into bärns. Your heavenly Fäther feeds them. Aren't you of much more value than they?
- 27 "Which of you, by being anxious, can add one moment to his lifespan? 28 Why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow. They don't toil, neither do they spin, 29 yet I tell you that even Solomon in all his glory was not dressed like one of these. 30 But if Elohim so clothes the grass of the field, which today exists, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, won't he much more clothe you, you of little faith?
- 31 "Therefore don't be anxious, saying, 'What will we eat?, 'What will we drink or, 'With what will we be clothed?' 32 For the Gentiles seek after all these things; for your heavenly Fäther knows that you need all these things. 33 But seek first the Kingdom of Elohim, and his righteousness; and all these things will be given to you as well. 34 Therefore don't be anxious for tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Each day's own evil is sufficient.

Matthew 7

"Don't judge, so that you won't be judged. 2 For with whatever judgment you judge, you will be judged; and with whatever measure you measure, it will be measured to you. 3 Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but don't consider the beam that is in your own eye? 4 Or how will you tell your brother, 'Let me remove the speck from your eye; and behold, the beam is in your own eye? 5 You hypocrite! First remove the beam out of your own eye, and then you can see clearly to remove the speck out of your brother's eye.

6 "Don't give that which is holy to the dogs, neither throw your pearls before the pigs, lest perhaps they trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you to pieces.

7 "Ask, and it will be given you. Seek, and you will find. Knock, and it will be opened for you. 8 For everyone whe äsks receives. He who seeks finds. To him who knocks it will be opened. 9 Or who is there among you, who, if his son äsks him for bread, will give him a stone? 10 Or if he äsks for a fish, who will give him a serpent? 11 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Fäther who is in heaven give good things to those who äsk him! 12 Therefore whatever you desire for men to do to you, you shall also do to them; for this is the law and the prophets.

13 "Enter in by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and many are those who enter in by it. 14 How narrow is the gate, and restricted is the way that leads to life! Few are those who find it.

15 "Beware of fålse prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravening wolves. 16 By their fruits you will know them. Do you gather grapes from thorns, or figs from thistles? 17 Even so, every good tree produces good fruit; but the corrupt tree produces evil fruit. 18 A good tree can't produce evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree produce good fruit. 19 Every tree that doesn't grow good fruit is cut down, and thrown into the fire. 20 Therefore by their fruits you will know them. 21 Not everyone who says to me, 'my Master, my Master, will enter into the Kingdom of Heaven; but he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. 22 Many will tell me in that day, 'Master, my Master, didn't we prophecy in your name, in your name cast out demons, and in your name do many mighty works?' 23 Then I will tell them, 'I never knew you. Depart from me, you who work iniquity.

24 "Everyone therefore who hears these words of mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man, who built his house on a rock. 25 The rain came down, the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat on that house; and it didn't fall, for it was founded on the rock. 26 Everyone who hears these words of mine, and doesn't do them will be like a foolish man, who built his house on the sand

.27 The rain came down, the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat on that house; and it fell—and great was its fall." 28 When Jesus had finished saying these things, the multitudes were astonished at his teaching, 29 for he taught them with authority, and not like the scribes.

Matthew 8

When he came down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him. 2 Behold, a leper came to him and wôrshiped him, saying, "My Master, if you want to, you can make me clean."

3 Jesus stretched out his hand, and touched him, saying, "I want to. Be made clean." Immediately his leprosy was cleansed. 4 Jesus said to him, "See that you tell nobody, but go, show yourself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, as a testimony to them."

5 When he came into Capernaum, a centurion came to him, asking him, 6 and saying, "My Master, my servant lies in the house paralyzed, grievously tormented."

7 Jesus said to him, "I will come and heal him."

8 The centurion answered, "My Master, I'm not worthy for you to come under my roof. Just say the word, and my servant will be healed. 9 For I am also a man under authority, having under myself soldiers. I tell this one, 'Go, and he goes; and tell another, 'Come, and he comes; and tell my servant, 'Do this, and he does it."

10 When Jeşuş hêard it, he märveled, and said to **those** who followed, "Most çêrtainly I tell you, I haven't found so great a faith, not even in Işrael. 11 I tell you that many will come from the east and the west, and will sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the Kingdom of Heaven, 12 but the children of the Kingdom will be thrown out into the outer därkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." 13 Jesus said to the centurion, "Go your way. Let it be done for you as you have believed." His sêrvant was healed in that hour.

14 When Jeşuş came into Peter'ş houşe, he såw his wife's mother lying sick with a fever. 15 He touched her hand, and the fever left her. She got up and sêrved him. 16 When evening came, they brought to him many possesed with demons. He cäst out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were sick; 17 that it might be fulfilled which was spoken through Isaiah the prophet, saying: "He took our infirmities, and bore our diseases." 18 Now when Jeşuş såw great multitudes around him, he gave the order to depart to the other side.

19 A scribe came, and said to him, "Rabbi, I will follow you wherever you go."

20 Jesus said to him, "The foxes have holes, and the birds of the sky have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head."

- 21 Another of his dis**çi**ple**ş** said to him, "My Master, all**e**w me first to go and bury my fäther."
- 22 But Jeşuş said to him, "Follow me, and leave the dead to bury their own dead."
- 23 When he got into a boat, his disciples followed him. 24 Behold, a violent storm came up on the sea, so much that the boat was covered with the waves, but

he was asleep. 25 **Th**ey came to him, and woke him up, saying, "Save us, our Master! We are dying!"

- 26 He said to **th**em, "Why are you **fearful**, O you of little **faith**?" **Th**en he got up, rebuked the wind and the sea, and **th**ere was a great cä/m.
- 27 The men märveled, saying, "What kind of man is **th**is, **th**at **e**ven the wind and the sea obey him?"
- 28 When he came to the **other** side, into the country of the Gergesenes, two people possessed by demons met him there, coming out of the tembs, exceedingly fierce, so that nobody could pass that way. 29 Behold, they cried out, saying, "What do we have to do with you, Jesus, Son of Elohim? Have you come here to torment us before the time?" 30 Now there was a herd of many pigs feeding

fär away from **th**em. 31 The d**e**m**o**n**ş** begged him, saying, "If you c**ä**st us **o**ut, p**e**rmit us to g**o** away into the h**e**rd of pigs."

32 He said to **th**em, "Go!"

They came out, and went into the herd of pigs: and behold, the whole herd of pigs rushed down the cliff into the sea, and died in the water. 33 Those who fed them fled, and went away into the city, and told everything, including what happened to those who were possessed with demons. 34 Behold, all the city came out to meet Jesus. When they saw him, they begged that he would depart from their borders.

Matthew 9

He entered into a boat, and crossed over, and came into his own city. 2 Behold, they brought to him a man who was paralyzed, lying on a bed. Jeşuş, seeing their faith, said to the paralytic, "Son, cheer up! Your sins are forgiven you."

- 3 Behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man blasphemes."
- 4 Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? 5 For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven; or to say, 'Get up, and walk?' 6 But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins..." (then he said to the paralytic), "Get up, and take up your mat, and go up to your house."

7 He arose and depärted to his house. 8 But when the multitudes såw it, they märveled and glorified **Elohim**, who had given such åuthority to men.tax collection office. He said to him, "Follow me." He got up and followed him. 10 As he sat in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and sat down with Jesus and his disciples. 11 When the **Pharisees** såw it, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

12 When Jeşuş hêard it, he said to them, "Thoşe who are healthy have no need for a phyşiçian, but thoşe who are sick do. 13 But you go and lêarn what this means: 'I deşire mêrçy, and not sacrifice for I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."

14 **Th**en John'ş dis**çi**ple**ş** came to him, saying, "Why do we and the **Ph**ariseeş fäst often, but your dis**çi**pleş don't fäst?"

15 Jeşuş said to **th**em, "Can the friendş of the bridegreem mourn, as long as the bridegreem is wi**th th**em? But the days will come when the bridegreem

will be taken away from them, and then they will fast. 16 No one puts a pieçe of unshrunk cloth on an old garment; for the patch would tear away from the garment, and a worse hole is made. 17 Neither de people put new wine into old wine skins, or else the skins would burst, and the wine be spilled, and the skins ruined. No, they put new wine into fresh wine skins, and both are preserved."

18 While he told these things to them, behold, a ruler came and wôrshiped him, saying, "My dåughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live."

19 Jeşuş got up and followed him, as did his disçipleş. 20 Behold, a woman who had an issue of blood for twelve yearş came behind him, and touched the fringe of his gärment; 21 for she said within herself, "If I just touch his gärment, I will be made well."

22 But Jeşuş, tûrning around and seeing her, said, "Dåughter, cheer up! Your faith has made you well." And the woman was made well from that hour.

23 When Jeşuş came into the ruler'ş houşe, and såw the flute playerş, and the crowd in noişy dişorder, 24 he said to them, "Make room, becauşe the girl işn't dead, but sleeping."

They were ridiculing him. 25 But when the crowd was put out, he entered in, took her by the hand, and the girl arose. 26 The report of this went out into all that land. 27 As Jesus passed by from there, two blind men followed him, calling out and saying, "Have mercy on us, son of David!"

28 When he had come into the house, the blind men came to him. Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?

They told him, "Yes, my Master."

29 **Then** he touched their eyeş, saying, "According to your faith be it done to you." 30 **Their** eyeş were opened. Jeşuş strictly commanded them, saying, "See that no one knows about this." 31 But they went out and spread abroad his fame in all that land.

32 As they went out, behold, a mute man who was demon possessed was brought to him. 33 When the demon was cast out, the mute man spoke. The multitudes marveled, saying, "Nothing like this has ever been seen in Israel!"

34 But the Pharisees said, "By the prince of the demons, he casts out demons."

35 Jeşuş went about all the çitieş and the villageş, teaching in their synagogueş, and preaching the Gööd Newş of the Kingdöm, and healing every dişeaşe and every sickness amöng the people. 36 But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion for them, becauşe they were harassed and scattered, like sheep without a shepherd. 37 Then he said to his disçiples, "The härvest indeed is plentiful, but the laborers are few. 38 Pray therefore that the Master of the härvest will send out laborers into his härvest."

Matthew 10

He cålled to himself his twelve disciples, and gave them åuthority over unclean spirits, to cäst them out, and to heal every disease and every sickness. 2 Now the names of the twelve apostles are these. The first, Simon, who is cålled Peter; Andrew, his brother; James the son of Zebedee; John, his brother; 3 Philip; Bärtholomew; Thomas; Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus; Lebbaeus, who was ålso cålled Thaddaeus; 4 Simon the Canaanite; and Judas Iscariot, who ålso betrayed him.

5 Jeşuş sent theşe twelve out, and commanded them, saying, "Don't go among the Gentiles, and don't enter into any city of the Samaritans. 6 Räther, go to the lost sheep of the house of Işrael. 7 As you go, preach, saying, 'The Kingdom of Heaven is at hand!' 8 Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, and cast out demons. Freely you received, so freely give. 9 Don't take any gold, silver, or brass in your money belts. 10 Take no bag for your journey, neither two coats, nor shees, nor staff: for the laborer is worthy of his food. 11 Into whatever city or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy; and stay there until you go on. 12 As you enter into the household, greet it. 13 If the household is worthy, let your peace come on it, but if it işn't worthy, let your peace return to you. 14 Whoever doesn't receive you, nor hear your words, as you go out of that house or that city, shake off the dust from your feet. 15 Most certainly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment than for that city.

16 "Behold, I send you out as **shee**p among wolves. **Therefore** be wise as serpents, and härmless as doves. 17 But beware of men: for **they** will deliver you up to councils, and in **their** synagogues they will scoûrge you.

18 Yes, and you will be brought before governors and kings for my sake, for a testimony to them and to the nations. 19 But when they deliver you up, don't be anxious how or what you will say, for it will be given you in that hour what you will say. 20 For it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Fäther who speaks in you.

21 "Brother will deliver up brother to death, and the father his child. Children will rise up against parents, and cause them to be put to death. 22 You will be hated by all men for my name's sake, but he who endures to the end will be saved. 23 But when they persecute you in this city, flee into the next, for most certainly I tell you, you will not have gone through the cities of Israel, until the Son of Man has come.

24 "A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his lord. 25 It is enough for the disciple that he be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more those of his household! 26 Therefore don't be afraid of them, for there is nothing covered that will not be revealed; and hidden that will not be known. 27 What I tell you in the darkness, speak in the light; and what you hear whispered in the ear, proclaim on the housetops. 28 Don't be afraid of those who kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul. Rather, fear him who is able to destroy both soul and body in Gehenna.

29 "Aren't two sparrows sold for an assarion coin? Not one of them falls on the ground apart from your Father's will, 30 but the very hairs of your head are all numbered. 31 Therefore don't be afraid. You are of more value than many sparrows. 32 Everyone therefore who confesses me before men, him I will also confess before my Father who is in heaven. 33 But who ever denies me before men, him I will also deny before my Father who is in heaven.

34 "Don't think that I came to send peace on the êarth. I didn't come to send peace, but a sword. 35 For I came to set a man at odds against his fäther, and a dåughter against her mother, and a dåughter-in-låw against her mother-in-låw. 36 A man's foes will be those of his own household. 37 He who loves fäther or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or dåughter more than me isn't worthy of me. 38 He who doesn't take his cross and follow after me, isn't worthy of me. 39 He who seeks his life will lose it; and he who loses his life for my sake will find it. 40 He who receives you receives me, and he who receives me receives him who sent me. 41 He who receives a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's rewård. He who receives a righteous man in the name of a righteous man will receive a righteous man's rewård. 42 Who ever gives one of these little ones just a cup of cold wåter to drink in the name of a disciple, most cêrtainly I tell you he will in no way lose his rewård."

Matthew 11

When Jeşuş had finished directing his twelve disciples, he departed from there to teach and preach in their cities. 2 New when John heard in the prison the works

of Christ, he sent two of his disciples 3 and said to him, "Are you he who comes, or should we look for another?"

4 Jeşuş answered them, "Go and tell John the things which you hear and see: 5 the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have good news preached to them. 6 Blessed is he who finds no occasion for stumbling in me."

7 As these went their way, Jesus began to say to the multitudes concerning John, "What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken by the wind? 8 But what did you go out to see? A man in soft clothing? Behold, those who wear soft clothing are in king's houses. 9 But why did you go out? To see a prophet? Yes, I tell you, and much more than a prophet. 10 For this is he, of whom it is written, 'Behold, I send my messenger before your face, who will prepare your way before you. 11 Most certainly I tell you, among those who are born of women there has not arisen anyone greater than John the Baptizer; yet he who is least in the Kingdom of Heaven is greater than he. 12 From the days of John the Baptizer until now, the Kingdom of Heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force. 13 For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John. 14 If you are willing to receive it, this is Elijah, who is to come. 15 He who has ears to hear, let him hear.

16 "But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces, who call to their companions 17 and say, 'We played the flute for you, and you didn't dance. We mourned for you, and you didn't lament.' 18 For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon.' 19 The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Behold, a gluttonous man and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners! But wisdom is justified by her children."

20 **Th**en he began to denounce the cities in which most of his mighty works had been done, because they didn't repent. 21 "Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works had been done in Tyre and Sidon which were done in you, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. 22 But I tell you, it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon on the day of judgment than for you. 23 You, Capernaum, who are exalted to heaven, you will go down to Hades. For if the mighty works had been done in Sodom which were done in you, it would have remained until today. 24 But I tell you that it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom, on the day of judgment, than for you."

25 At that time, Jeşuş answered, "I thank you, Fäther, Master of heaven and êarth, that you hid these things from the wise and understanding, and revealed them to infants. 26 Yes, Fäther, for so it was well-pleasing in your sight. 27 All things have been delivered to me by my Fäther. No one knows the Son, except the Fäther; neither does anyone know the Fäther, except the Son, and he to whom the Son desires to reveal him.

28 "Come to me, all you who labor and are heavily burdened, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart; and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Matthew 12

At **th**at time, Jeşuş went on the Sabba**th** day **th**rough the grain fields. His disciples were hungry and began to pluck heads of grain and to **e**at. 2 But the **Ph**arisees, when **th**ey saw it, said to him, "Behold, your disciples do what is not lawful to do on the Sabba**th**."

3 But he said to them, "Haven't you read what David did, when he was hungry, and those who were with him; 4 how he entered into the house of **Elohim**, and ate the show bread of the altar of **YAHWEH**, which was not lawful for him to eat, neither for those who were with him, but only for the priests? 5 Or have you not read in the law, that on the Sabbath day, the priests in the temple profane the Sabbath, and are guiltless? 6 But I tell you that one greater than the temple is here. 7 But if you had known what this means, 'I desire mêrçy, and not sacrifice, you would not have condemned the guiltless. 8 For the Son of Man is Master of the Sabbath."

9 He depärted there, and went into their synagogue. 10 And behold there was a man with a withered hand. They äsked him, "Is it låwful to heal on the Sabbath day?" that they might accuse him.

11 He said to them, "What man is there among you, who has one sheep, and if this one falls into a pit on the Sabbath day, won't he grab on to it, and lift it out? 12 Of how much more value then is a man than a sheep! Therefore it is lawful to do good on the Sabbath day." 13 Then he told the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out; and it was restored whole, just like the other. 14 But the Pharisees went out, and conspired against him, how they might destroy him. 15 Jesus, perceiving that, withdrew from there. Great multitudes followed him; and he healed them all, 16 and commanded them that they should not make him known: 17 that it might be fulfilled which was spoken through Isaiah the prophet, saying,

18 "Behold, my sêrvant whem I have choşen; my beloved in whem my soul is well pleaşed: I will put my Spirit on him. He will proclaim justice to the nations. 19 He will not strive, nor shout; neither will anyone hear his voice in the streets. 20 He won't break a bruişed reed. He won't quench a smoking flax, until he leads justice to victory.21 In his name, the nations will hope."

22 **Th**en one possessed by a demon, blind and mute, was brought to him and he healed him, so that the blind and mute man both spoke and saw. 23 All the multitudes were amazed, and said, "Can this be the son of David?" 24 But when the **Ph**arisees heard it, they said, "This man does not cast out demons, except by Beelzebub, the prince of the demons."

25 Knowing **their tho**ughts, Jeşuş said to **them**, "Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation, and every city or house divided against

itself will not stand. 26 If Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself. How then will his kingdom stand? 27 If I by Beelzebub cast out demons, by whom do your children cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges. 28 But if I by the Spirit of Elohim cast out demons, then the Kingdom of Elohim has come upon you. 29 Or how can one enter into the house of the strong man, and plunder his goods, unless he first bind the strong man? Then he will plunder his house.

30 "He who is not with me is against me, and he who doesn't gather with me, scatters. 31 Therefore I tell you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven men, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven men. 32 Who ever speaks a word against the Son of Man, it will be forgiven him; but who ever speaks against the Holy Spirit, it will not be forgiven him, neither in this age, nor in that which is to come.

33 "Either make the tree good, and its fruit good, or make the tree corrupt, and its fruit corrupt; for the tree is known by its fruit. 34 You offspring of vipers, how can you, being evil, speak good things? For out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaks. 35 The good man out of his good treasure brings out good things, and the evil man out of his evil treasure brings out evil things. 36 I tell you that every idle word that men speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment. 37 For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned."

38 Then çêrtain of the scribeş and Phariseeş answered, "Teacher, we want to see a sign from you."

39 But he answered them, "An evil and adulterous generation seeks after a sign, but no sign will be given it but the sign of Jonah the prophet. 40 For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the whale, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. 41 The men of Nineveh will stand up in the judgment with this generation, and will condemn it, for they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and behold, someone greater than Jonah is here. 42 The queen of the south will rise up in the judgment with this generation, and will condemn it, for she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and behold, someone greater than Solomon is here.

43 When an unclean spirit has gone out of a man, he passes through waterless places, seeking rest, and doesn't find it. 44 Then he says, 'I will return into my house from which I came out, and when he has come back, he finds it empty, swept, and put in order. 45 Then he goes, and takes with himself seven other spirits more evil than he is, and they enter in and dwell there. The läst state of that man becomes worse than the first. Even so will it be also to this evil generation."

46 While was yet speaking to the multitudes, behold, his mother and his brothers stood outside, seeking to speak to him. 47 One said to him, "Behold, your mother and your brothers stand outside, seeking to speak to you."

48 But he answered him who spoke to him, "Who is my mother? Who are my brothers?" 49 He stretched out his hand towards his disciples, and said, "Behold, my mother and my brothers! 50 For who ever does the will of my Father who is in heaven, he is my brother, and sister, and mother."

Matthew 13

On that day Jeşuş went out of the house, and sat by the seaside. 2 Great multitudes gathered to him, so that he entered into a boat, and sat, and all the multitude stood on the beach. 3 He spoke to them many things in parables, saying, "Behold, a farmer went out to sow. 4 As he sowed, some seeds fell by the roadside, and the birds came and devoured them. 5 others fell on rocky ground, where they didn't have much soil, and immediately they sprang up, because they had no depth of earth. 6 When the sun had risen, they were scorched. Because they had no root, they withered away. 7 others fell among thorns. The thorns grew up and choked them. 8 others fell on good soil, and yielded fruit: some one hundred times as much, some sixty, and some thirty. 9 He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

10 The disciples came, and said to him, "Why do you speak to them in parables?"

11 He answered **th**em, "To you it is given to know the mysteries of the Kingdom of Heaven, but it is not given to **th**em. 12 For wheever has, to him will be given, and he will have abundance, but wheever doesn't have, from him will be taken away even **th**at which he has. 13 **Th**erefore I speak to **th**em in parables, because seeing they don't see, and hearing, they don't hear, neither do they understand. 14 In them the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled, which says,

'By hearing you will hear, and will in no way understand; Seeing you will see, and will in no way pêrçeive: 15 for this people's heart has grown callous, their ears are dull of hearing, they have closed their eyes; or else pêrhaps they might pêrçeive with their eyes, hear with their ears, understand with their heart, and would tûrn again; and I would heal them.

16 "But are your eyes, for they see; and your ears, for they hear. 17 For most blessed certainly I tell you that many prophets and righteous men desired to see the things which you see, and didn't see them; and to hear the things which you hear, and didn't hear them.

18 "Hear, then, the parable of the färmer. 19 When anyone hears the word of the Kingdom, and doesn't understand it, the evil one comes, and snatches away that which has been sown in his heart. This is what was sown by the roadside. 20 What was sown on the rocky places, this is he who hears the word, and immediately with joy receives it; 21 yet he has no root in himself, but endures for a while. When oppression or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he stumbles. 22 What was sown among the thorns, this is he who hears the word, but the cares of this age and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and he becomes unfruitful. 23 What was sown on the good ground, this is he who hears the

word, and understands it, who most certainly bears fruit, and produces, some one hundred times as much, some sixty, and some thirty."

24 He set another parable before them, saying, "The Kingdom of Heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field, 25 but while people slept, his enemy came and sowed därnel weeds also among the wheat, and went away. 26 But when the blade sprang up and produced fruit, then the därnel weeds appeared also.27 The servants of the householder came and said to him, 'Sîr, didn't you sow good seed in your field? Where did these därnel weeds come from?

28 "He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.

"The servants asked him, 'Do you want us to go and gather them up?

29 "But he said, 'No, lest pêrhaps while you gather up the därnel weeds, you reet up the wheat with them. 30 Let both grow together until the härvest, and in the härvest time I will tell the reapers, "First, gather up the därnel weeds, and bind them in bundles to bûrn them; but gather the wheat into my bärn.""

31 He set another parable before them, saying, "The Kingdom of Heaven is like a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field; 32 which indeed is smaller than all seeds. But when it is grown, it is greater than the herbs, and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in its branches."

33 He spoke another parable to them. "The Kingdom of Heaven is like yeast, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, until it was all leavened."

34 Jesus spoke **å**ll **theş**e **t**hing**ş** in parable**ş** to the multitude**ş**; and wi**tho**ut a parable, he didn't speak to **them**, 35 that it might be fulfilled which was spoken **t**hrough the prophet, saying,

"I will open my mouth in parables; I will utter things hidden from the foundation of the world."

36 **Th**en Jeşuş sent the multitudeş away, and went into the houşe. His disçipleş came to him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the därnel weeds of the field."

37 He answered them, "He who sows the good seed is the Son of Man, 38 the field is the world; and the good seed, these are the children of the Kingdom; and the därnel weeds are the children of the evil one. 39 The enemy who sowed them is the devil. The härvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. 40 As therefore the därnel weeds are gathered up and bûrned with fire; so will it be at the end of this age. 41 The Son of Man will send out his angels, and they will gather out of his Kingdom all things that cause stumbling, and those who do iniquity, 42 and will cast them into the fûrnace of fire. There will be weeping and the gnashing of teeth. 43 Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the Kingdom of their Fäther. He who has ears to hear, let him hear.

44 "Again, the Kingdom of Heaven is like a treaşure hidden in the field, which a man found, and hid. In his joy, he goeş and sells all that he has, and buys that field.

45 "Again, the Kingdom of Heaven is like a man who is a mêrchant seeking fine pêarls, 46 who having found one pêarl of great priçe, he went and sold all that he had, and bought it.

47 "Again, the Kingdom of Heaven is like a dragnet, that was cast into the sea, and gathered some fish of every kind, 48 which, when it was filled, they drew up on the beach. They sat down, and gathered the good into containers, but the bad they threw away. 49 So will it be in the end of the world. The angels will come and separate the wicked from among the righteous, 50 and will cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be the weeping and the gnashing of teeth." 51 Jesus said to them, "Have you understood all these things?" They answered him, "Yes, our Master."

52 He said to **th**em, "**Th**erefore every scribe who has been made a disciple in the Kingdom of Heaven is like a man who is a householder, who brings out of his treasure of new and old **th**ings."

53 When Jeşuş had finished these parables, he depärted from there. 54 Coming into his own country, he taught them in their synagogue, so that they were astonished, and said, "Where did this man get this wişdom, and these mighty works? 55 Isn't this the carpenter's son? Işn't his mother called Mary, and his brothers, James, Joses, Simon, and Judas? 56 Aren't all of his sisters with us? Where then did this man get all of these things?" 57 They were offended by him.

But Jeşuş said to them, "A prophet is not without honor, except in his own country, and in his own house." 58 He didn't do many mighty works there because of their unbelief.

Matthew 14

At that time, Herod the teträrch heard the report conçerning Jeşuş, 2 and said to his servants, "This is John the Baptizer. He is rişen from the dead. That is why these powers work in him." 3 For Herod had laid hold of John, and bound him, and put him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife. 4 For John said to him, "It is not lawful for you to have her." 5 When he would have put him to death, he feared the multitude, because they counted him as a prophet. 6 But when Herod's birthday came, the daughter of Herodias danced among them and pleased Herod. 7 Whereupon he promised with an oath to give her whatever she should ask. 8 She, being prompted by her mother, said, "Give me here on a platter the head of John the Baptizer."

9 The king was grieved, but for the sake of his oaths, and of those who sat at the table with him, he commanded it to be given, 10 and he sent and beheaded John in the prison.

11 His head was brought on a platter, and given to the young lady: and she brought it to her mother. 12 His disciples came, and took the body, and buried it; and they went and told Jeşuş. 13 New when Jeşuş hêard this, he withdrew from there in a boat, to a deserted place apart. When the multitudes hêard it, they followed him on foot from the cities.

14 Jeşuş went out, and he saw a great multitude. He had compassion on them, and healed their sick. 15 When evening had come, his disciples came to him, saying, "This place is deserted, and the hour is already late. Send the multitudes away, that they may go into the villages, and buy themselves food."

16 But Jeşuş said to them, "They don't need to go away. You give them something to eat."

17 They told him, "We only have here five loaves and two fish."

18 He said, "Bring them here to me." 19 He commanded the multitudes to sit down on the gräss; and he took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he blessed, broke and gave the loaves to the disciples, and the disciples gave to the multitudes. 20 They all ate, and were filled. They took up twelve baskets full of that which remained left over from the broken pieces. 21 Those who are were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

22 Immediately Jeşuş made the disçipleş get into the boat, and to go ahead of him to the other side, while he sent the multitudeş away. 23 After he had sent the multitudeş away, he went up into the mountain by himself to pray. When evening had come, he was there alone. 24 But the boat was now in the middle of the sea, distressed by the waveş, for the wind was contrary. 25 In the fourth watch of the night, Jesus came to them, walking on the sea. 26 When the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, "It's a ghost!" and they cried out for fear. 27 But immediately Jeşuş spoke to them, saying "Cheer up! It is !! Don't be afraid."

28 Peter answered him and said, "My Master, if it is you, command me to come to you on the waters."

29 He said, "Come!"

Peter stepped down from the boat, and walked on the waters to come to Jesus. 30 But when he saw that the wind was strong, he was afraid, and beginning to sink, he cried out, saying, "My Master, save me!"

31 Immediately Jeşuş stretched out his hand, took hold of him, and said to him, "You of little faith, Why did you doubt?" 32 When they got up into the boat, the wind ceased. 33 Those who were in the boat came and worshiped him, saying, "You are truly the Son of Elohim!"

34 When they had crossed over, they came to the land of Gennesaret. 35 When the people of that place recognized him, they sent into all that surrounding region, and brought to him all who were sick,

36 and they begged him that they might just touch the fringe of his garment. As many as touched it were made whole.

Matthew 15

Then Pharisees and scribes came to Jesus from Jerusalem, saying, 2 "Why de your disciples disobey the tradition of the elders? For they don't wash their hands when they eat bread."

3 He answered them, "Why de you also disobey the commandment of Elohim because of your tradition? 4 For Elohim commanded, 'Honor your father and your mother, and, 'He who speaks evil of father or mother, let him be put to death. 5 But you say, 'Whoever may tell his father or his mother, "Whatever help you might otherwise have gotten from me is a gift devoted to Elohim," 6 he shall not honor his father or mother. You have made the commandment of Elohim void because of your tradition. 7 You Hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy of you, saying,

8' These people dråw near to me with their mouth, and honor me with their lips; but their heärt is fär from me. 9 And in vain de they wôrship me, teaching as doctrine rules made by men."

10 He summoned the multitude, and said to **th**em, "Hear, and understand. 11 **Th**at which enters into the mouth doesn't defile the man; but **th**at which proceeds out of the mouth, this defiles the man."

12 **Th**en the dis**c**iple**s** came, and said to him, "Do you know **th**at the **Ph**aris**ees** were offended, when **th**ey h**e**ard **th**is saying?"

13 But he answered, "Every plant which my heavenly Fäther didn't plant will be upreeted. 14 Leave them alone. They are blind guides of the blind. If the blind guide the blind, both will fall into a pit."

15 Peter answered him, "Explain the parable to us."

16 So Jeşuş said, "Do you ålso still not understand? 17 Don't you understand that whatever goeş into the mouth passes into the belly, and then out of the body? 18 But the things which proceed out of the mouth come out of the heart, and they defile the man. 19 For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, sexual sins, thefts, fålse testimony, and blasphemies. 20 These are the things which defile the man; but to eat with unwashed hands doesn't defile the man."

21 Jeşuş went out from there, and withdrew into the region of Tyre and Sidon. 22 Behold, a Canaanite woman came out from those borders, and cried, saying, "Have mêrçy on me, my Master, you son of David! My dåughter is severely possessed by a demon!"

23 But he answered her not a wôrd.

His disciples came and begged him, saying, "Send her away; for she cries after us."

- 24 But he answered, "I wasn't sent to anyone but the lost sheep of the house of Israel."
- 25 But she came and wôrshiped him, saying, "My Master, help me."
- 26 But he answered, "It is not appropriate to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs."
- 27 But she said, "Yes, my Master, but even the dogş eat the crumbş which fall from their masters' table."
- 28 **Th**en Jeşuş answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Be it done to you even as you deşire." And her dåughter was healed from that hour.
- 29 Jeşuş depärted there, and came near to the sea of Galilee; and he went up into the mountain, and sat there. 30 Great multitudes came to him, having with them the lame, blind, mute, maimed, and many others, and they put them down at his feet. He healed them, 31 so that the multitude wondered when they saw the mute speaking, injûred whole, lame wa/king, and blind seeing—and they glorified the Elohim of Işrael.
- 32 Jeşuş summoned his disciples and said, "I have compassion on the multitude, because they continue with me now three days and have nothing to eat. I don't want to send them away fasting, or they might faint on the way."
- 33 The disciples said to him, "Where should we get so many loaves in a deserted place as to satisfy so great a multitude?"
- 34 Jeşuş said to them, "How many loaveş do you have?"

They said, "Seven, and a few small fish."

35 He commanded the multitude to sit down on the ground; 36 and he took the seven loaves and the fish. He gave thanks and broke them, and gave to the disciples, and the disciples to the multitudes. 37 They all ate, and were filled. They took up seven baskets full of the broken pieces that were left over. 38 Those who are were four thousand men, besides women and children. 39 Then he sent away the multitudes, got into the boat, and came into the borders of Magdala.

Matthew 16

The **Ph**aris**eeş** and Sadd**uçeeş** came, and testing him, **ä**ske**d** him to **show th**em a **si**gn from heaven. 2 But he answered **th**em, "When it is **e**vening, you **say**, 'It will be fair wea**th**er, for the sk**y** is red.' 3 In the morning, 'It will be foul wea**th**er today, for the sk**y** is red and **th**reatening. You hypocrites! You know how to dis**çe**rn the appearan**ç**e of the sk**y**, but you can't dis**çe**rn the sign**ş** of the time**ş**! 4 An **e**vil and adulterous **g**eneration seeks after a sign, and **th**ere will be no sign given to it, ex**ç**ept the sign of the prophet Jonah."

He left them, and depärted. 5 The disciples came to the other side and had forgotten to take bread. 6 Jesus said to them, "Take heed and beware of the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees."

- 7 They reasoned among themselves, saying, "We brought no bread."
- 8 Jeşuş, pêrçeiving it, said, "Why de you reason among yourselves, you of little faith, 'becauşe you have brought no bread?' 9 Don't you yet pêrçeive, neither remember the five loaves for the five thousand, and how many baskets you took up? 10 Nor the seven loaves for the four thousand, and how many baskets you took up? 11 How is it that you don't pêrçeive that I didn't speak to you conçêrning bread? But beware of the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadduçees."
- 12 **Then they** understood **that** he didn't tell **them** to beware of the yeast of bread, but of the teaching of the **Pharisees** and Sadduçees. 13 New when Jesus came into the parts of Caesarea **Philippi**, he asked his disciples, saying, "Whe de men say that I, the Son of Man, am?"
- 14 **Th**ey said, "Some say John the Baptizer, some, Elijah, and others, Jeremiah, or one of the prophets."
- 15 He said to **th**em, "But who do you say **th**at I am?"
- 16 Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living Elohim."
- 17 Jeşuş answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bär Jonah, for flesh and blood haş not revealed this to you, but my Fäther who is in heaven. 18 I ålso tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my assembly, and the gates of Hadeş will not prevail against it. 19 I will give to you the keyş of the Kingdom
- of Heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will have been bound in heaven; and whatever you release on earth will have been released in heaven." 20 Then he commanded the disciples that they should tell no one that he was Jesus the Christ. 21 From that time, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders, chief priests, and scribes, and be killed, and the third day be raised up. 22 Peter took him aside, and began to rebuke him, saying, "Fär be it from you, my Master! This will never be done to you."
- 23 But he tûrned, and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me, for you are not setting your mind on the things of Elohim, but on the things of men." 24 Then Jesus said to his disciples, "If anyone desires to come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. 25 For wheever desires to save his life will lese it, and wheever will lese his life for my sake will find it. 26 For what will it profit a man, if he gains the whole world, and forfeits his life? Or what will a man give in exchange for his life? 27 For the Son of Man will come in the glory of his Fäther with his angels, and then he will render to everyone according to his deeds.

28 Most certainly I tell you, there are some standing here who will in no way taste of death, until they see the Son of Man coming in his Kingdom."

Matthew 17

After six days, Jeşuş töök with him Peter, Jameş, and John his brother, and brought them up into a high mountain by themselves. 2 He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his gärments became as white as the light. 3 Behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them tålking with him.

4 Peter answered, and said to Jeşuş, "My Master, it is good for us to be here. If you want, let's make three tents here: one for you, one for Moşeş, and one for Elijah."

5 While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them. Behold, a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Listen to him."

6 When the disciples heard it, they fell on their faces, and were very afraid. 7 Jesus came and touched them and said, "Get up, and don't be afraid." 8 Lifting up their eyes, they saw no one, except Jesus alone. 9 As they were coming down from the mountain, Jesus commanded them, saying, "Don't tell anyone what you saw, until the Son of Man has risen from the dead."

10 His disciples äsked him, saying, "Then why do the scribes say that Elijah must come first?"

11 Jeşuş answered them, "Elijah indeed comeş fîrst, and will restore all things, 12 but I tell you that Elijah haş come already, and they didn't recognize him, but did to him whatever they wanted to. Even so the Son of Man will also suffer by them." 13 Then the disciples understood that he spoke to them of John the Baptizer.

14 When **th**ey came to the multitude, a man came to him, kneeling down to him, saying, 15 "My Master, have mêrçy on my son, for he is epileptic, and sufferş grievously; for he often fallş into the fire, and often into the water. 16 So I brought him to your disciples, and **th**ey could not cure him."

17 Jeşuş answered, "Faithless and pervêrse generation! How long will I be with you? How long will I bear with you? Bring him here to me." 18 Jeşuş rebuked him, the demon went out of him, and the boy was cured from that hour.

19 **Th**en the dis**c**iple**s** came to Jesus privately, and said, "Why weren't we able to cast it out?"

20 He said to **them**, "Becauşe of your unbelief. For most çêrtainly I tell you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will tell **th**is mountain, 'Move from here to **there**, and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you. 21 But **th**is kind doesn't go out except by prayer and fästing."

22 While **th**ey were staying in Galilee, Jeşuş said to **th**em, "The Son of Man is about to be delivered up into the handş of men, 23 and **th**ey will kill him, and the **th**ird day he will be raised up."

They were exceedingly sorry. 24 When they had come to Capernaum, those who collected the didrachma coins came to Peter, and said, "Doesn't your teacher pay the didrachma?" 25 He said, "Yes."

When he came into the house, Jesus anticipated him, saying, "What do you think, Simon? From whom do the kings of the earth receive toll or tribute? From their children, or from strangers?"

26 Peter said to him, "From strangers."

Jeşuş said to him, "Therefore the children are exempt. 27 But, lest we cauşe them to stumble, go to the sea, cast a hook, and take up the first fish that comeş up. When you have opened its mouth, you will find a stater coin. Take that, and give it to them for me and you."

Matthew 18

In **th**at hour the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who then is greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven?"

2 Jeşuş cålled a little **chi**ld to himself, and set him in the middle of **th**em, 3 and said, "Most çêrtainly I tell you, unless you tûrn, and become as little **ch**ildren, you will in no way enter into the Kingdom of Heaven. 4 Whoever **th**erefore humbles himself as **th**is little **chi**ld, the same is the greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven. 5 Whoever reçeives one such little **chi**ld in my name reçeives me, 6 but whoever causes one of **these** little ones who believe in me to stumble, it would be better for him **th**at a huge millstone **shou**/d be hung around his neck, and **th**at he **shou**/d be sunk in the depths of the sea.

7 "Woe to the world because of occasions of stumbling! For it must be that the occasions come, but woe to that person through whom the occasion comes! 8 If your hand or your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off, and cast it from you. It is better for you to enter into life maimed or crippled, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into the eternal fire. 9 If your eye causes you to stumble, pluck It out, and cast it from you. It is better for you to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes to be cast into the Gehenna of fire. 10 See that you don't despise one of these little ones, for I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven. 11 For the Son of Man came to save that which was lost.

12 "What do you think? If a man has one hundred sheep, and one of them goes astray, doesn't he leave the ninety-nine, go to the mountains, and seek that which has gone astray? 13 If he finds it, most certainly I tell you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine which have not gone astray. 14 Even so it is not the will of your Fäther who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

15 "If your brother sins against you, go, show him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained back your brother. 16 But if he doesn't listen, take or two more with you, that at the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established. 17 If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the assembly. If he refuses to hear the assembly also, let him be to you as a Gentile or a tax collector. 18 Most certainly I tell you, whatever things you bind on earth will have been bound in heaven, and whatever things you release on earth will have been released in heaven. 19 Again, assuredly I tell you, that if two of you will agree on earth concerning anything that they will ask, it will be done for them by my Father who is in heaven. 20 For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there I am in the middle of them."

21 **Th**en Peter came and said to him, "My Master, how often **sh**all my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Until seven times?"

22 Jeşuş said to him, "I don't tell you until seven timeş, but, until seventy timeş seven. 23 Therefore the Kingdom of Heaven is like a çêrtain king, who wanted to reconçile accounts with his sêrvants. 24 When he had begun to reconçile, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. 25 But becauşe he couldn't pay, his Master commanded him to be sold, with his wife, his children, and all that he had, and payment to be made. 26 The sêrvant therefore fell down and knelt before him, saying, 'My Master, have patiençe with me, and I will repay you all!' 27 The Master of that sêrvant, being moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt.

28 "But **th**at s**e**rvant went **o**ut, and **fo**und one of his fellow s**e**rvants, who owed him one hundred denarii, and he grabbed him, and took him by the **th**roat, saying, 'Pay me what you owe!

29 "So his fellow sêrvant fell down at his feet and begged him, saying, 'Have patiençe with me, and I will repay you!' 30 He woù/d not, but went and cäst him into prison, until he shoù/d pay back that which was due. 31 So when his fellow sêrvants såw what was done, they were exceedingly sorry, and came and told to their Master åll that was done. 32 Then his Master cålled him in, and said to him, 'You wicked sêrvant! I forgave you åll that debt, because you begged me. 33 Shoù/dn't you also have had mêrçy on your fellow sêrvant, even as I had mêrçy on you?' 34 His Master was angry, and delivered him to the tormentors, until he shoù/d pay åll that was due to him. 35 So my heavenly Fäther will ålso do to you, if you don't each forgive your brother from your heärts for his misdeeds."

Matthew 19

When Jeşuş had finished these words, he departed from Galilee, and came into the borders of Judea beyond the Jordan. 2 Great multitudes followed him, and he healed them there. 3 Pharisees came to him, testing him, and saying, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for any reason?"

4 He answered, "Haven't you read that he who made them from the beginning made them male and female, 5 and said, 'For this cause a man shall leave his father and mother, and shall join to his wife; and the two shall become one flesh? 6 So that they are no more two, but one flesh. What therefore Elohim has joined together, don't let man tear apart."

7 **Th**ey **ä**ske**d** him, "Wh**y th**en did Moşeş command us to give her a bill of divorçe, and divorçe her?"

8 He said to **th**em, "Moşeş, becauşe of the härdness of your heärts, allowed you to divorçe your wiveş, but from the beginning it has not been so. 9 I tell you **th**at wheever divorçes his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another, commits adultery; and he who marries her when she is divorced commits adultery."

10 His disciples said to him, "If **th**is is the case of the man wi**th** his wife, it is not expedient to marry."

11 But he said to them, "Not all men can receive this saying, but those to whem it is given. 12 For there are eunuchs whe were born that way from their mother's wemb, and there are eunuchs whe were made eunuchs by men; and there are eunuchs whe made themselves eunuchs for the Kingdom of Heaven's sake. He whe is able to receive it, let him receive it."

13 **Then** little **children** were brought to him, **that** he **shou**id lay his hands on **them** and pray; and the disciples rebuked **them**. 14 But Jesus said, "Allow the little **children**, and don't forbid **them** to come to me; for the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to ones like **these**." 15 He laid his hands on **them**, and departed from **there**.

16 Behold, one came to him and said, "Good teacher, what good thing shall I de, that I may have eternal life?"

17 He said to him, "Why de you call me good? No one is good but one, that is, **Elohim**. But if you want to enter into life, keep the commandments."

18 He said to him, "Which ones?"

Jeşuş said, "'You shall not mûrder. 'You shall not commit adultery. 'You shall not steal.'You shall not offer fålse testimony.' 19 'Honor your fäther and mother. And, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'"

20 The young man said to him, "All **theş**e **th**ingş I have obş**ê**rved from m**y** yo**uth**. What d● I still lack?"

21 Jeşuş said to him, "If you want to be perfect, go, sell what you have, and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." 22 But when the young man heard the saying, he went away sad, for he was one who had great possessions. 23 Jesus said to his disciples, "Most certainly I say to you, a rich man will enter into the Kingdom of Heaven with difficulty.

- 24 Again I tell you, it is easier for a rope to go through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the Kingdom of Elohim."
- 25 When the disciples heard it, they were exceedingly astonished, saying, "Whethen can be saved?"
- 26 Looking at them, Jeşuş said, "With men this is impossible, but with Elohim all things are possible."
- 27 **Th**en Peter answered, "Behold, we have left everything, and followed you. What then will we have?"
- 28 Jeşuş said to them, "Most çêrtainly I tell you that you who have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of Man will sit on the throne of his glory, you also will sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Işrael. 29 Everyonewho has left houses, or brothers, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, will receive one hundred times, and will inherit etêrnal life. 30 But many will be last who are first; and first who are last."

Matthew 20

"For the Kingdom of Heaven is like a man who was the mäster of a household, who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. 2 When he had agreed with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. 3 He went out about the third hour, and saw others standing idle in the märketplace. 4 He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and whatever is right I will give you. So they went their way. 5 Again he went out about the sixth and the ninth hour, and did likewise. 6 About the eleventh hour he went out, and found others standing idle. He said to them, 'Why do you stand here all day idle?

7 "They said to him, 'Becauşe no one haş hired us.

"He said to **th**em, 'You **å**ls**o** go into the viney**ä**rd, and you will re**çe**ive wh**å**tever is r**i**ght.' 8 When **e**vening had c**o**me, the master of the viney**ä**rd said to his mana**g**er, 'C**å**ll the **la**borer**ş** and pay **th**em **th**eir wa**g**e**ş**, beginning from the **lä**st to the first.

- 9 "When those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came, they each received a denarius. 10 When the first came, they supposed that they would receive more; and they likewise each received a denarius. 11 When they received it, they murmured against the mäster of the household, 12 saying, 'These läst have spent one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat!
- 13 "But he answered one of **th**em, 'Friend, I am deing you no wrong. Didn't you agree with me for a denarius? 14 Take **th**at which is yours, and go your way. It is my desire to give to **th**is läst just as much as to you. 15 Isn't it låwful for me to de what I want to with what I own? Or is your eye evil, because I am good?'

- 16 So the läst will be first, and the first läst. For many are called, but few are chosen."
- 17 As Jeşuş was going up to Jeruşalem, he took the twelve disciples aside, and on the way he said to them, 18 "Behold, we are going up to Jeruşalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered to the chief priests and scribes, and they will condemn him to death, 19 and will hand him over to the Gentiles to mock, to scourge, and to cruçify; and the third day he will be raised up."
- 20 **Then** the mother of the sons of Zebedee came to him with her sons, kneeling and asking a certain thing of him. 21 He said to her, "What do you want?" She said to him, "Command that these, my two sons, may sit, one on your right hand, and one on your left hand, in your Kingdom."
- 22 But Jeşuş answered, "You don't know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink, and be baptized with baptişm that I am baptized with?" They said to him, "We are able."
- 23 He said to **them**, "You will ind**ee**d drink my cup, and be baptized wi**th** the baptişm **th**at I am baptized wi**th**, but to sit on my right hand and on my left hand is not mine to give; but it is for whem it has been prepared by my Fäther."
- 24 When the ten heard it, they were indignant with the two brothers.
- 25 But Jeşuş summoned them, and said, "You know that the rulers of the nations are in authority over them over them, and their great ones exerçise authority over them. 26 It shall not be so among you, but who ever desires to become great among you shall be your servant. 27 Who ever desires to be first among you shall be your bondservant, 28 even as the Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."
- 29 As **th**ey went out from Jericho, a great multitude followed him. 30 Behold, two blind men sitting by the road, when **th**ey heard **th**at Jeşuş was pässing by, cried out, "My Master, have mêrçy on us, you son of David!" 31 The multitude rebuked **th**em, telling them **th**at **th**ey **sh**où/d be **qui**et, but **th**ey cried out even môre, "My Master, have mêrçy on us, you son of David!"
- 32 Jeşuş stòod still, and cålled **th**em, and äske**d**, "What de you want me to de for you?"
- 33 They told him, "Our Master, that our eyes may be opened."
- 34 Jeşuş, being meved with compassion, touched their eyeş; and immediately their eyeş reçeived their sight, and they followed him.

Matthew 21

When they came near to Jeruşalem, and came to Bethsphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, 2 saying to them, "Go into the village that is opposite you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie

them, and bring them to me. 3 If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The the Master needs them, and immediately he will send them."

4 All **th**is was d**o**ne, **th**at it m**i**ght be f**u**lfilled whi**ch** was spoken **th**rough the prophet, saying,

5 "Tell the dåughter of Zion, behold, your King comes to you, humble, and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

6 The disciples went, and did just as Jesus commanded them, 7 and brought the donkey and the colt, and laid their clothes on them; and he sat on them. 8 A very great multitude spread their clothes on the road. others cut branches from the trees, and spread them on the road. 9 The multitudes who went in front of him, and those who followed, kept shouting, "Hosanna to the son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the YAHWEH! Hosanna in the highest!"

10 When he had come into Jeruşalem, all the çity was stîrred up, saying, "Who is this?" 11 The multitudeş said, "This is the prophet, Jeşuş, from Nazareth of Galilee."

12 Jeşuş entered into the temple of **Elohim**, and drove out all of **those** who sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the money changerd tables and the seats of **those** who sold the doves. 13 He said to **them**, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer, but you have made it a den of robbers!"

14 The blind and the lame came to him in the temple, and he healed them. 15 But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children whe were crying in the temple and saying, "Hosanna to the son of David!" they were indignant, 16 and said to him, "Do you hear what these are saying?"

Jeşuş said to **th**em, "Yes. Did you never read, 'Out of the mouth of babes and nûrsing babies you have pêrfected praise?'"

17 He left **th**em, and went **o**ut of the **c**ity to Be**th**any, and campe**d th**ere. 18 Now in the morning, as he returned to the **c**ity, he was hungry. 19 Seeing a fig tree by the road, he came to it, and found nothing on it but leaves. He said to it, "Let **th**ere be no fruit from you forever!"

Immediately the fig tree withered away. 20 When the disciples saw it, they marveled, saying, "How did the fig tree immediately wither away?"

21 Jeşuş answered them, "Most çêrtainly I tell you, if you have faith, and don't doubt, you will not only do what was done to the fig tree, but even if you told this mountain, 'Be taken up and cast into the sea, it would be done. 22 All things, whatever you ask in prayer, believing, you will reçeive."

23 When he had come into the temple, the **chief** priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority do you do these things? Who gave you this authority?"

24 Jeşuş answered them, "I ålso will äsk you one question, which if you tell me, I likewişe will tell you by what åuthority I de these things. 25 The baptism of John, where was it from? From heaven or from men?"

They reasoned with themselves, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven, he will ask us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' 26 But if we say, 'From men, we fear the multitude, for all hold John as a prophet." 27 They answered Jesus, and said, "We don't know."

He ålso said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what åuthority I de these things. 28 But what de you think? A man had two sons, and he came to the first, and said, 'Son, go work today in my vineyärd.' 29 He answered, 'I will not, but äfterward he changed his mind, and went. 30 He came to the second, and said the same thing. He answered, 'I go, sir, but he didn't go. 31 Which of the two did the will of his fäther?"

They said to him, "The first."

Jeşuş said to **th**em, "Most çêrtainly I tell you **th**at the tax collectors and the prostitutes are entering into Kingdom of **Elohim** before you. 32 For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you didn't believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. When you saw it, you didn't even repent afterward, **th**at you might believe him."

- 33 "Hear another parable. There was a man who was a mäster of a household, who planted a vineyärd, set a hedge about it, dug a wine press in it, built a tower, leased it out to färmers, and went into another country. 34 When the season for the fruit came near, he sent his servants to the färmers, to receive his fruit. 35 The färmers took his servants, beat one, killed another, and stoned another. 36 Again, he sent other servants more than the first: and they treated them the same way. 37 But afterward he sent to them his son, saying, 'They will respect my son.' 38 But the färmers, when they saw the son, said among themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let's kill him, and seize his inheritance.' 39 So they took him, and threw him out of the vineyärd, and killed him. 40 When therefore the lord of the vineyärd comes, what will he de to those färmers?"
- 41 **Th**ey told him, "He will mişerably destroy **thoş**e mişerable men, and will lease out the vineyard to other farmers, who will give him the fruit in its season."
- 42 Jeşuş said to **th**em, "Did you never read in the Scriptureş, 'The stone which the builderş rejected, the same was made the head of the corner. **Th**is was from Mäster **YAHWEH**. It is märvelous in our eyeş?
- 43 "Therefore I tell you, the kindom of **Elohim** will be taken away from you, and will be given to a nation producing its fruit. 44 He who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces, but on who mever it will fall, it will scatter him as dust."

45 When the **chief** priests and the **Ph**aris**eeş** h**ê**ard his parable**ş**, **th**ey p**ê**r**çe**ived **th**at he spoke about **th**em. 46 When **th**ey s**o**ught to seize him, **th**ey feared the multitude**ş**, bec**a**u**ş**e **th**ey c**o**nsidered him to be a prophet.

Matthew 22

Jeşuş answered and spoke again in parableş to them, saying, 2 "The Kingdom of Heaven is like a çêrtain king, who made a marriage feast for his son, 3 and sent out his sêrvants to câll those who were invited to the marriage feast, but they would not come. 4 Again he sent out other sêrvants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, "Behold, I have prepared my dinner. My cattle and my fatlings are killed, and âll things are ready. Come to the marriage feast!" 5 But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his own farm, another to his mêrchandise, 6 and the rest grabbed his sêrvants, and treated them shamefully, and killed them. 7 When the king heard that, he was angry, and sent his ärmies, destroyed those mûrderers, and bûrned their city.

8 "Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding is ready, but those who were invited weren't worthy. 9 Go therefore to the intersections of the highways, and as many as you may find, invite to the marriage feast.' 10 Those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together as many as they found, both bad and good. The wedding was filled with guests. 11 But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man who didn't have on wedding clothing, 12 and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you come in here not wearing wedding clothing? He was speechless. 13 Then the king said to the servants, 'Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and throw him into the outer darkness; there is where the weeping and grinding of teeth will be.' 14 For many are called, but few chosen."

15 Then the Pharisees went and took counsel how they might entrap him in his tak. 16 They sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are honest, and teach the way of Elohim in truth, no matter whom you teach, for you aren't partial to anyone. 17 Tell us therefore, what do you think? Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?"

18 But Jeşuş pêrçeived **th**eir wickedness, and said, "Why de you test me, you Hypocrites? 19 **Sho**w me the tax money."

They brought to him a denärius.

20 He äsked them, "Whose is this image and inscription?"

21 **Th**ey said to him, "Caeşar."

Then he said to them, "Give therefore to Caeşar the things that are Caeşar's, and to Elohim the things that are Elohim's."

22 When they heard it, they marveled, and left him, and went away.

23 On that day Sadduçeeş (those who say that there is no resurrection) came to him. They äsked him, 24 saying, "Teacher, Moses said, 'If a man dies, having no children, his brother shall marry his wife, and raise up offspring for his brother.' 25 Now there were with us seven brothers. The first married and died, and having no offspring left his wife to his brother. 26 In the same way, the second also, and the third, to the seventh. 27 After them all, the woman died. 28 In the resurrection therefore, whose wife will she be of the seven? For they all had her."

29 But Jeşuş answered them, "You are mistaken, not knowing the Scriptureş, nor the power of Elohim. 30 For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are like Elohim's angels in heaven. 31 But conçerning the resurrection of the dead, haven't you read that which was spoken to you by Elohim, saying, 32 'I am the Elohim of Abraham, and the Elohim of Isaac, and the Elohim of Jacob? Elohim is not the Elohim of the dead, but of the living."

33 When the multitudes heard it, they were astonished at his teaching. 34 But the Pharisees, when they heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, gathered themselves together. 35 One of them, a lawyer, asked him a question, testing him. 36 "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the law?"

37 Jesus said to him, "'You shall love YAHWEH your Elohim with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. 38 This is the first and great commandment. 39 A second likewise is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself. 40 The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments."

41 Now while the **Ph**arisees were gathered together, Jesus äsked them a question, 42 saying, "What do you think of the Christ? Whose son is he?"

They said to him, "Of David."

43 He said to them, "How then does David in the Spirit call him YAHWEH, saying,

44 **'YAHWEH** said to my Master, sit on my right hand, until I make your enemies a footsteel for your feet?

45 "If then David calls him YAHWEH, how is he his son?"

46 No one was able to answer him a word, neither did any man dare äsk him any more questions from that day forward.

Matthew 23

Then Jeşuş spoke to the multitudes and to his disciples, 2 saying, "The scribes and the Pharisees sat on Moses' seat. 3 All things therefore whatever they tell you to observe, observe and do, but don't do their works; for they say, and don't do. 4 For they bind heavy bûrdens that are grievous to be borne, and lay them on men's shoulders; but they themselves will not lift a finger to help them

- .5 But åll their works they do to be seen by men. They make their phylacteries broad, enlärge the fringes of their gärments, 6 and love the place of honor at feasts, the best seats in the synagogues, 7 the salutations in the märketplaces, and to be cålled 'Rabbi, Rabbi' by men. 8 But don't you be cålled 'Rabbi, for one is your teacher, the Christ, and åll of you are brothers. 9 Call no man on the earth your fäther, for one is your Fäther, he who is in heaven. 10 Neither be cålled mästers, for one is your mäster, the Christ. 11 But he who is greatest among you will be your sêrvant. 12 Who ever exalts himself will be humbled, and who ever humbles himself will be exalted.
- 13 "Woe to you, scribeş and Phariseeş, Hypocrites! For you devour widowş' houşeş, and as a pretense you make long prayerş. Therefore you will reçeive greater condemnation.
- 14 "But woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, Hypocrites! Because you shut up the Kingdom of Heaven against men; for you don't enter in yourselves, neither do you allow those who are entering in to enter. 15 Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, Hypocrites! For you travel around by sea and land to make one proselyte; and when he becomes one, you make him twice as much of a son of Gehenna as yourselves.
- 16 "Woe to you, you blind guides, who say, 'Whoever swears by the temple, it is nothing; but whoever swears by the gold of the temple, he is obligated.' 17 You blind fools! For which is greater, the gold, or the temple that sanctifies the gold? 18' Whoever swears by the altar, it is nothing; but whoever swears by the gift that is on it, he is obligated?' 19 You blind fools! For which is greater, the gift, or the altar that sanctifies the gift? 20 He therefore who swears by the altar, swears by it, and by everything on it. 21 He who swears by the temple, swears by it, and by him who was living in it. 22 He who swears by heaven, swears by the throne of Elohim, and by him who sits on it.
- 23 "Woe to you, scribeş and **Ph**aris**ee**ş, Hypocrites! For you t**ith**e mint, dill, and cumin, and have left undone the weightier matterş of the låw: justiçe, mêrçy, and faith. But you ought to have done theşe, and not to have left the other un done. 24 You blind guideş, who strain out a gnat, and swallow a came!!
- 25 "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, Hypocrites! For you clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and unrighteousness. 26 You blind Pharisees, first clean the inside of the cup and of the platter, that its outside may become clean also.
- 27 "Woe to you, scribeş and **Ph**aris**ee**ş, Hypocrites! For you are like whitened t**e**mbş, whi**ch e**utwardly appear beautiful, but inwardly are full of dead men's boneş, and of all uncleanness. 28 Even so you also **e**utwardly appear righteous to men, but inwardly you are full of hypocrisy and iniquity.
- 29 "Woe to you, scribes and **Ph**aris**ees**, Hypocrites! For you build the tembs of the prophets, and decorate the tembs of the righteous,

30 and say, 'If we had lived in the days of our fathers, we wouldn't have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets.' 31 Therefore you testify to yourselves that you are children of those who killed the prophets. 32 Fill up, then, the measure of your fathers. 33 You serpents, you offspring of vipers, how will you escape the judgment of Gehenna? 34 Therefore behold, I send to you prophets, wise men, and scribes. Some of them you will kill and crucify; and some of them you will scourge in your synagogues, and persecute from city to city; 35 that on you may come all the righteous blood shed on the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel to the blood of Zachariah son of Barachiah, whom you killed between the sanctuary and the altar. 36 Most certainly I tell you, all these things will come upon this generation.

37 "Jeruşalem, Jeruşalem, who kills the prophets, and stoneş thoşe who are sent to her! How often I would have gathered your children together, even as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, and you would not! 38 Behold, your house is left to you desolate. 39 For I tell you, you will not see me from now on, until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

Matthew 24

Jeşuş went out from the temple, and was going on his way. His disciples came to him to show him the buildings of the temple. 2 But he answered them, "You see all of these things, don't you? Most certainly I tell you, there will not be left here one stone on another, that will not be thrown down."

3 As he sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will **these things** be? What is the sign of your coming, and of the end of the age?"

4 Jeşuş answered them, "Be careful that no one leadş you astray. 5 For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am the Christ, and will lead many astray. 6 You will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you aren't troubled, for all this must happen, but the end is not yet. 7 For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; and there will be famines, plagues, and earthquakes in various places. 8 But all these things are the beginning of birth pains. 9 Then they will deliver you up to oppression, and will kill you. You will

be hated by all of the nations for my name's sake. 10 **Th**en many will stumble, and will deliver up one another, and will hate one another. 11 Many false prophets will arise, and will lead many astray. 12 Because iniquity will be multiplied, the love of many will grow cold. 13 But he who endures to the end, the same will be saved. 14 **Th**is Good News of the Kingdom will be preached in the whole world for a testimony to all the nations, and then the end will come.

15 "When, **th**erefore, you see the abomination of desolation, which was spoken of **th**rough Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand),

16 then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. 17 Let him who is on the housetop not go down to take out things that are in his house.18 Let him who is in the field not return back to get his clothes. 19 But woe to those who are with child and to nursing mothers in those days! 20 Pray that your flight will not be in the winter, nor on a Sabbath, 21 for then there will be great oppression, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now, no, nor ever will be. 22 Unless those days had been shortened, no flesh would have been saved. But for the sake of the chosen ones, those days will be shortened.

23 "Then if any man tells you, 'Behold, here is the Christ, or There, don't believe it. 24 For there will arise false christs, and false prophets, and they will show great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the chosen ones.

25 "Behold, I have told you beforehand. 26 If therefore they tell you, 'Behold, he is in the wilderness, don't go out; 'Behold, he is in the inner rooms, don't believe it. 27 For as the lightning flashes from the east, and is seen even to the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. 28 For wherever the carcass is, there is where the vultures gather together. 29 But immediately after the oppression of those days, the sun will be darkened, the meen will not give its light, the stars will fall from the sky, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken; 30 and then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky. Then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky with power and great glory. 31 He will send out his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together his chosen ones from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other.

32 "Now from the fig tree lêarn this parable. When its branch has now become tender, and produces its leaves, you know that the summer is near. 33 Even so you also, when you see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors. 34 Most certainly I tell you, this generation will not pass away, until all these things are accomplished. 35 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. 36 But no one knows of that day and hour, not even the angels of heaven, but my Father only.

37 "As the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. 38 For as in **those** days which were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ship, 39 and they didn't know until the flood came, and took them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. 40 Then two men will be in the field: one will be taken and one will be left; 41 two women grinding at the mill, one will be taken and one will be left. 42 Watch therefore, for you don't know in what hour your Master comes, 43 But know this, that if the master of the house had known in what watch of the night the thief was coming, he would have watched, and would not have allowed his house to be broken into. 44 Therefore also be ready, for in an hour that you don't expect, the Son of Man will come.

45 "Whe then is the faithful and wise servant, whem his Master has set over his household, to give them their feed in due season? 46 Blessed is that servant whem his master finds doing so when he comes. 47 Most certainly I tell you that he will set him over all that he has. 48 But if that evil servant should say in his heart, 'My Master is delaying his coming,' 49 and begins to beat his fellow servants, and eat and drink with the drunkards, 50 the master of that servant will come in a day when he doesn't expect it, and in an hour when he doesn't know it, 51 and will cut him in pieces, and appoint his portion with the Hypocrites. There is where the weeping and grinding of teeth will be.

Matthew 25

25 "Then the Kingdom of Heaven will be like ten vîrginş, who took their lamps, and went out to meet the bridegroom. 2 Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. 3 Those who were foolish, when they took their lamps, took no oil with them, 4 but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. 5 New while the bridegroom delayed, they all slumbered and slept. 6 But at midnight there was a cry, 'Behold! The bridegroom is coming! Come out to meet him!' 7 Then all those vîrginş aroşe, and trimmed their lamps. 8 The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' 9 But the wise answered, saying, 'What if there isn't enough for us and you? You go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.' 10 While they went away to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage foot, and the door was shut. 11 afterward the other vîrginş also came, saying, 'Our Master, Our Master, open to us.' 12 But he answered, 'Most cêrtainly I tell you, I don't know you.' 13 Watch therefore, for you don't know the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming.

14 "For it is like a man, going into another country, who called his own servants, and entrusted his goods to them. 15 To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one; to each according to his own ability. Then he went on his journey. 16 Immediately he who received the five talents went and traded with

them, and made another five talents. 17 In the same way, he also who got the two gained another two. 18 But he who received the one talent went away and dug in the earth, and hid his lord's money.

19 "Now äfter a long time the lord of **those** servants came, and reconciled accounts with them. 20 He who received the five talents came and brought another five talents, saying, 'My Master, you delivered to me five talents. Behold, I have gained another five talents besides them.

21 "His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a few things, I will set you over many things. Enter into the joy of your master.

- 22 "He also who got the two talents came and said, 'My Master, you delivered to me two talents. Behold, I have gained another two talents besides them.
- 23 "His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a few things, I will set you over many things. Enter into the joy of your master.
- 24 "He ålso who had received the one talent came and said, 'My Master, I knew you that you are a härd man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter. 25 I was afraid, and went away and hid your talent in the earth. Behold, you have what is yours.
- 26 "But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant. You knew that I reap where I didn't sow, and gather where I didn't scatter. 27 You ought therefore to have deposited my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received back my own with interest. 28 Take away therefore the talent from him, and give it to him who has the ten talents. 29 For to everyone who has will be given, and he will have abundance, but from him who doesn't have, even that which he has will be taken away. 30 throw out the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.
- 31 "But when the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. 32 Before him all the nations will be gathered, and he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. 33 He will set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. 34 Then the King will tell those on his right hand, 'Come, blessed of my Fäther, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; 35 for I was hungry, and you gave me food to eat. I was thirsty, and you gave me drink. I was a stranger, and you took me in. 36 I was naked, and you clothed me. I was sick, and you visited me. I was in prison, and you came to me.
- 37 "Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Our righteous master, when did we see you hungry, and feed you; or thirsty, and give you a drink? 38 When did we see you as a stranger, and take you in; or naked, and clothe you? 39 When did we see you sick, or in prison, and come to you?
- 40 "The King will answer **th**em, 'Most çêrtainly I tell you, becauşe you did it to one of the least of **theşe** my brothers, you did it to me.' 41 **Th**en he will say also to **thoşe** on the left hand, 'Depart from me, you cûrsed, into the etêrnal fire which is prepared for the devil and his angels; 42 for I was hungry, and you didn't give me feed to eat; I was **th**irsty, and you gave me no drink; 43 I was a stranger, and you didn't take me in; naked, and you didn't clothe me; sick, and in prişon, and you didn't vişit me.
- 44 "Then they will also answer, saying, 'Our Master, when did we see you hungry, or thirsty, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and didn't help you?
- 45 "Then he will answer them, saying, 'Most çêrtainly I tell you, becauşe you didn't do it to one of the least of these, you didn't do it to me.'

46 These will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Matthew 26

When Jeşuş had finished åll theşe wordş, he said to his disçipleş, 2 "You know that after two days the Pässover is coming, and the Son of Man will be delivered up to be cruçified."

- 3 Then the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders of the people were gathered together in the court of the high priest, who was called Caiaphas. 4 They took counsel together that they might take Jesus by deceit, and kill him. 5 But they said, "Not during the feast, lest a riot occur among the people."
- 6 New when Jeşuş was in Bethany, in the house of Simon the leper, 7 a woman came to him having an alabaster jär of very expensive ointment, and she poured it on his head as he sat at the table. 8 But when his disciples saw this, they were indignant, saying, "Why this waste? 9 For this ointment might have been sold for much, and given to the poor."
- 10 However, knowing this, Jeşuş said to them, "Why do you trouble the woman? Becauşe she haş done a good work for me. 11 For you alwayş have the poor with you; but you don't alwayş have me. 12 For in pouring this ointment on my body, she did it to prepare me for burial. 13 Most çêrtainly I tell you, wherever this Gospel is preached in the whole world, what this woman haş done will also be spoken of as a memorial of her."
- 14 **Th**en one of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the **chief** priests, 15 and said, "What are you willing to give me, **th**at I **sh**où/d deliver him to you?" **Th**ey weighed out for him **th**irty pieçes of silver. 16 From **th**at time he sought opportunity to betray him.
- 17 Now on the first day of unleavened bread, the disciples came to Jesus, saying to him, "Where do you want us to prepare for you to eat the Pässover?"
- 18 He said, "Go into the city to a certain person, and tell him, 'The Teacher says, "My time is at hand. I will keep the Pässover at your house with my disciples.""
- 19 The disciples did as Jesus commanded them, and they prepared the Pässover. 20 New when evening had come, he was reclining at the table with the twelve disciples. 21 As they were eating, he said, "Mest certainly I tell you that one of you will betray me."
- 22 **Th**ey were ex**çee**dingly sorrowf**u**l, and **e**_a**ch** began to **a**sk him, "It i**ş**n't me, is it, my Master?"
- 23 He answered, "He who dipped his hand with me in the dish, the same will betray me. 24 The Son of Man goes, even as it is written of him, but woe to that man through whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would be better for that man if he had not been born."

25 Judas, who betrayed him, answered, "It isn't me, is it, Rabbi?"

He said to him, "You said it."

- 26 As **th**ey were **e**ating, Jeşuş took bread, gave **th**anks for it, and broke it. He gave to the disçiples, and said, "Take, **e**at; **th**is is **my** body." 27 He took the cup, gave **th**anks, and gave to **th**em, saying, "All of you drink it, 28 for **th**is is **my** blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for many for the remission of sins.29 But I tell you **th**at I will not drink of **th**is fruit of the vine from now on, until **th**at day when I drink it anew with you in **my** Fäther's Kingdom." 30 When **th**ey had sung a hymn, **th**ey went out to the Mount of Olives.
- 31 **Th**en Jeşuş said to **th**em, "All of you will be made to stumble becauşe of me tonight, for it is written, 'I will strike the **sh**epherd, and the **shee**p of the flock will be scattered. 32 But after I am raişed up, I will go before you into Galilee."
- 33 But Peter answered him, "Even if **å**ll will be m**a**de to stumble bec**å**u**ş**e of you, I will never be m**a**de to stumble."
- 34 Jesus said to him, "Most çêrtainly I tell you that tonight, before the reester crows, you will deny me three times."
- 35 Peter said to him, "Even if I must die with you, I will not deny you." åll of the disciples ålso said likewise.
- 36 Then Jeşuş came with them to a place cålled Gethsemane, and said to his disciples, "Sit here, while I go there and pray." 37 He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be sorrowful and severely troubled. 38 Then he said to them, "My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, even to death. Stay here, and watch with me."
- 39 He went forward a little, fell on his face, and prayed, saying, "My Fäther, if it is possible, let this cup pass away from me; nevertheless, not what I desire, but what you desire."
- 40 He came to the disciples, and found them sleeping, and said to Peter, "What, couldn't you watch with me for one hour? 41 Watch and pray, that you don't enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."
- 42 Again, a second time he went away, and prayed, saying, "My Fäther, if this cup cän't päss away from me unless I drink it, your deşire be done." 43 He came again and found them sleeping, for their eyeş were heavy. 44 He left them again, went away, and prayed a third time, saying the same words. 45 Then he came to his disciples, and said to them, "Sleep on now, and take your rest. Behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. 46 Arise, let's be going. Behold, he who betrays me is at hand."
- 47 While he was still speaking, behold, Judas, one of the twelve, came, and with him a great multitude with swords and clubs, from the chief priest and elders of the people. 48 New he who betrayed him gave them a sign, saying, "Whoever I kiss, he is

the one. Seize him." 49 Immediately he came to Jeşuş, and said, "Hail, Rabbi!" and kissed him.

50 Jeşuş said to him, "Friend, Why are you here?" Then they came and laid handş on Jeşuş, and töök him. 51 Behold, one of those who were with Jeşuş stretched out his hand, and drew his sword, and struck the servant of the high priest, and struck off his ear. 52 Then Jeşuş said to him, "Put your sword back into its place, for all those who take the sword will die by the sword. 53 Or do you think that I couldn't ask my Father, and he would even now send me more than twelve legions of angels? 54 How then would the Scriptures be fulfilled that it must be so?"

55 In **th**at hour Jeşuş said to the multitudeş, "Have you come out as against a robber wi**th** swordş and clubs to seize me? I sat daily in the temple teaching, and you didn't arrest me. 56 But all **th**is has happened, **th**at the Scriptureş of the prophets might be fulfilled."

Then all the disciples left him, and fled. 57 Those who had taken Jesus led him away to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders were gathered together. 58 But Peter followed him from a distance, to the court of the high priest, and entered in and sat with the officers, to see the end. 59 Now the chief priests, the elders, and the whole council sought false testimony against Jesus, that they might put him to death; 60 and they found none. Even though many false witnesses came forward, they found none. But at läst two false witnesses came forward, 61 and said, "This man said, I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to build it in three days."

62 The high priest stood up, and said to him, "Have you no answer? What is this that these testify against you?" 63 But Jesus held his peace. The high priest answered him, "I adjure you by the living God, that you tell us whether you are the Christ, the Son of God."

64 Jeşuş said to him, "You have said it. Nevertheless, I tell you, after this you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of Power, and coming on the clouds of the sky."

65 **Th**en the high priest tore his clothing, saying, "He has spoken blasphemy! Why de we need any more witnesses? Behold, now you have heard his blasphemy. 66 What de you think?"

They answered, "He is worthy of death!" 67 Then they spat in his face and beat him with their fists, and some slapped him, 68 saying, "Prophecy to us, you Christ! Whe hit you?"

69 New Peter was sitting outside in the court, and a maid came to him, saying, "You were also with Jeşuş, the Galilean!"

70 But he denied it before them all, saying, "I don't know what you are taking about."

71 When he had gone out onto the porch, someone else saw him, and said to those who were there, "This man also was with Jesus of Nazareth."

72 Again he denied it with an oath, "I don't know the man."

73 After a little while **those** who stood by came and said to Peter, "Surely you are also one of **them**, for your speech makes you known."

74 **Th**en he began to cûrse and to swear, "I don't know the man!"

Immediately the rester crowed. 75 Peter remembered the word which Jeşuş had said to him, "Before the rester crows, you will deny me three times." He went out and wept bitterly.

Matthew 27

Now when morning had come, all the chief priests and the elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put him to death: 2 and they bound him, and led him away, and delivered him up to Pontius Pilate, the governor. 3 Then Judas, who betrayed him, when he saw that Jesus was condemned, felt remorse, and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, 4 saying, "I have sinned in that I betrayed innocent blood."

But they said, "What is that to us? You see to it."

5 He threw down the pieces of silver in the sanctuary, and depärted. He went away and hanged himself. 6 The chief priests took the pieces of silver, and said, "It's not låwful to put them into the treasury, since it is the price of blood." 7 They took counsel, and bought the potter's field with them, to bury strangers in. 8 Therefore that field was called "The Field of Blood" to this day. 9 Then that which was spoken through Jeremiah the prophet was fulfilled, saying,

"They took the **th**irty pieces of silver, the price of him upon whom a price had been set, whom some of the **children** of Israel priced, 10 and they gave them for the potter's field, as **YAHWEH** commanded me."

11 Now Jeşuş stood before the governor: and the governor äsked him, saying, "Are you the King of the Jews?"

Jeşuş said to him, "So you say."

12 When he was accuşed by the **chief** priests and elderş, he answered nothing. 13 **Then** Pilate said to him, "Don't you hear how many things they testify against you?"

14 He gave him no answer, not even one word, so that the governor märveled greatly. 15 Now at the feast the governor was accustomed to release to the multitude one prisoner, whom they desired. 16 They had then a notable prisoner, called Barabbas. 17 When therefore they were gathered together, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release to you? Barabbas, or Jeşuş, who is called Christ?" 18 For he knew that because of envy they had delivered him up.

19 While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent to him, saying, "Have nothing to do with that righteous man, for I have suffered many things today in a dream because of him." 20 New the chief priests and the elders persuaded the multitudes to ask for Barabbas, and destroy Jesus. 21 But the governor answered them, "Which of the two do you want me to release to you?"

They said, "Barabbas!"

22 Pilate said to them, "What then shall I do to Jeşuş, who is called Christ?"

They all said to him, "Let him be crucified!"

23 But the governor said, "Why? What evil has he done?"

But they cried out exceedingly, saying, "Let him be crucified!"

24 So when Pilate såw that nothing was being gained, but räther that a distûrbance was stärting, he took wåter, and wåshed his hands before the multitude, saying, "I am innocent of the blood of this righteous person. You see to it."

25 All the people answered, "May his blood be on us, and on our children!"

26 **Then** he released to **them** Barabbas, but Jeşuş he flogged and delivered to be cruçified. 27 **Then** the governor's soldiers took Jeşuş into the Praetorium, and gathered the whole garrison together against him. 28 **They** stripped him, and put a scärlet robe on him. 29 **They** braided a crown of **tho**rns and put it on his head, and a reed in his right hand; and they kneeled down before him, and mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" 30 **They** spat on him, and took the reed and struck him on the head. 31 When they had mocked him, they took the robe off of him, and put his clothes on him, and led him away to cruçify him.

32 As they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name, and they compelled him to go with them, that he might carry his cross. 33 They came to a place called "Golgotha", that is to say, "The place of a skull." 34 They gave him sour wine to drink mixed with gall. When he had tasted it, he would not drink. 35 When they had crucified him, they divided his clothing among them, casting lots, 36 and they sat and watched him there. 37 They set up over his head the accusation against him written, "THIS IS JESUS, THE KING OF THE JEWS."

38 **Then there were two robbers crucified with** him, one on his right hand and one on the left. 39 **Those who passed by blasphemed him, wagging their heads, 40 and saying, "You who destroy the temple, and build it in three days, save yourself!** If you are the **Son of Elohim**, come down from the cross!"

41 Likewişe the **chief** priests **å**ls**o** mocking, wi**th** the scribeş, the **Ph**ariseeş, and the elderş, said, 42 "He saved **oth**erş, but he c**ä**n't save himself. If he is the King of Işrael, let him c**o**me down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. 43 He trusts in **Elohim**. Let **Elohim** deliver him now, if he wants him; for he said, 'I am the Son of **Elohim**.'"

44 The robbers also who were crucified with him cast on him the same reproach.

45 New from the sixth hour there was därkness over åll the land until the ninth hour. 46 About the ninth hour Jeşuş cried with a loud voiçe, saying, "Eli, Eli, läma sabachthäni?" That is, "My EL, My EL, Why have you forsaken me?"

47 Some of them who stood there, when they heard it, said, "This man is calling Elijah."

48 Immediately one of **th**em ran, and **too**k a sponge, and filled it wi**th** vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him a drink. 49 The rest said, "Let him be. Let's see whether Elijah comes to save him."

50 Jeşuş cried again with a loud voiçe, and yielded up his spirit. 51 Behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from the top to the bottom. The earth quaked and the rocks were split. 52 The tombs were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised; 53 and coming out of the tombs after his resurrection, they entered into the holy city and appeared to many. 54 Now the centurion, and those who were with him watching Jeşuş, when they saw the earthquake, and the things that were done, feared exceedingly, saying, "Truly this was the Son of Elohim."

So Many women were there watching from afar, who had followed Jeşuş from Galilee, sêrving him. 56 Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Joses, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee. 57 When evening had come, a rich man from Arimathaea, named Joseph, who himself was also Jeşuş' disciple came. 58 This man went to Pilate, and asked for Jeşuş' body. Then Pilate commanded the body to be given up. 59 Joseph took the body, and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, 60 and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had cut out in the rock, and he rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb, and departed. 61 Mary Magdalene was there, and the other Mary, sitting opposite the tomb. 62 Now on the next day, which was the day after the Preparation Day, the chief priests and the Pharisees were gathered together to Pilate, 63 saying, "Sîr, we remember what that deceiver said while he was still alive: 'After three days I will rise again.' 64 Command therefore that the tomb be made secure until the third day, lest pêrhaps his disciples come at night and steal him away, and tell the people, 'He is risen from the dead; and the läst deception will be worse than the first."

65 Pilate said to **th**em, "You have a guard. Go, make it as secure as you can." 66 So **th**ey went wi**th** the guard and made the temb secure, sealing the stone.

Matthew 28

Now after the Sabbath, as it began to down on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb. 2 Behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of YAHWEH descended from the sky, and came and rolled away the stone from the door, and sat on it. 3 His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. 4 For fear of him, the guärds shook, and became like dead men

- . 5 The angel answered the women, "Don't be afraid, for I know that you seek Jeşuş, who has been cruçified. 6 He is not here, for he has risen, just like he said. Come, see the place where he was lying. 7 Go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has risen from the dead, and behold, he goes before you into Galilee; there you will see him. Behold, I have told you."
- 8 **Th**ey dep**ä**rted **qu**ickly from the t**e**mb wi**th** fear and great joy, and ran to bring his dis**çi**ple**ş** w**ô**rd. 9 As **th**ey went to tell his dis**çi**ple**ş**, behold, Je**ş**u**ş** met **th**em, saying, "Rejoi**ç**e!"

They came and took hold of his feet, and worshiped him.

- 10 Then Jeşuş said to them, "Don't be afraid. Go tell my brothers that they should go into Galilee, and there they will see me."
- 11 New while they were going, behold, some of the guards came into the city, and told the chief priests all the things that had happened. 12 When they were assembled with the elders, and had taken counsel, they gave a large amount of silver to the soldiers, 13 saying, "Say that his disciples came by night, and stole him away while we slept. 14 If this comes to the governor's ears, we will persuade him and make you free of worry." 15 So they took the money and did as they were told. This saying was spread abroad among the Jews, and continues until today.
- 16 But the eleven disciples went into Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had sent them. 17 When they saw him, they bowed down to him, but some doubted. 18 Jesus came to them and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth. 19 Go, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Fäther and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all things that I commanded you. Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

THE GOSPEL OF MARK

Mark 1

The beginning of the Good News of Jesus Christ, the Son of **Elohim**. 2 As it is written in the prophets,

"Behold, I send my messenger before your face, who will prepare your way before you. 3 The voice of one crying in the wilderness, 'Make ready the way of YAHWEH! Make his päths straight!"

4 John came baptizing in the wilderness and preaching the baptism of repentance for forgiveness of sins. 5 All the country of Judea and all those of Jerusalem went out to him. They were baptized by him in the Jordan river, confessing their sins. 6 John was clothed with camel's hair and a leather belt around his waist. He are locusts and wild honey. 7 He preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the thongs of whose sandals I am not

worthy to steep down and leesen. 8 I baptized you in water, but he will baptize you in the Holy Spirit."

9 In **those** days, Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized by John in the Jordan. 10 Immediately coming up from the water, he saw the heavens parting, and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. 11 A voice came out of the sky, "You are my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

12 Immediately the Spirit drove him out into the wilderness. 13 He was **th**ere in the wilderness forty days tempted by Satan. He was with the wild animals; and the angels were serving him.

14 New after John was taken into custody, Jeşuş came into Galilee, preaching the Good News of the kingdom of the **Elohim**, 15 and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kindom of the **Elohim** is at hand! Repent, and believe in the Good News."

16 Passing along by the sea of Galilee, he såw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon cästing a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. 17 Jeşuş said to them, "Come äfter me, and I will make you into fishers for men."

18 Immediately they left their nets, and followed him. 19 Going on a little further from there, he såw Jameş the son of Zebedee, and John, his brother, who were ålso in the boat mending the nets. 20 Immediately he cålled them, and they left their fäther, Zebedee, in the boat with the hired sêrvants, and went after him. 21 They went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath day he entered into the synagogue and tåught. 22 They were astonished at his teaching, for he tåught them as having åuthority, and not as the scribes. 23 Immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, 24 saying, "Ha! What do we have to do with you, Jeşuş, you Nazarene? Have you come to destroy us? I know you who you are: the Holy One of Elohim!"

25 Jeşuş rebuked him, saying, "Be quiet, and come out of him!"

26 The unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. 27 They were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? A new teaching? For with authority he commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him!" 28 The report of him went out immediately everywhere into all the region of Galilee and its surrounding area.

29 Immediately, when they had come out of the synagogue, they came into the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. 30 Now Simon's wife's mother lay sick with a fever, and immediately they told him about her. 31 He came and took her by the hand, and raised her up. The fever left her, and she served them. 32 At evening, when the sun had set, they brought to him all who were sick, and those who were possessed by demons. 33 All the city was gathered together at the door. 34 He healed many who were sick with various

dişeaşeş, and cäst out many demons. He didn't allow the demons to speak, because they knew him.

35 Early in the morning, while it was still dark, he rose up and went out, and departed into a deserted place, and prayed there. 36 Simon and those who were with him followed after him; 37 and they found him, and told him, "Everyone is looking for you."

38 He said to them, "Let's go elsewhere into the next towns, that I may preach there also, because I came out for this reason." 39 He went into their synagogues throughout all Galilee, preaching and casting out demons.

40 A leper came to him, begging him, kneeling down to him, and saying to him, "If you want to, you can make me clean."

41 Being meved with compassion, he stretched out his hand, and touched him, and said to him, "I want to. Be made clean." 42 When he had said this, immediately the leprosy departed from him, and he was made clean. 43 He strictly warned him, and immediately sent him out, 44 and said to him, "See you say nothing to anybody, but go show yourself to the priest, and offer for your cleansing the things which Moses commanded, for a testimony to them."

45 But he went out, and began to proclaim it much, and to spread about the matter, so that Jeşuş coù/d no môre openly enter into a çity, but was outside in deşert plaçes: and they came to him from everywhere.

Mark 2

When he entered again into Capernaum after some days, it was heard that he was in the house. 2 Immediately many were gathered together, so that there was no more room, not even around the door; and he spoke the word to them. 3 Four people came, carrying a paralytic to him. 4 When they could not come near to him for the crowd, they removed the roof where he was. When they had broken it up, they let down the mat that the paralytic was lying on. 5 Jesus, seeing their faith, said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven you."

6 But there were some of the scribes sitting there, and reasoning in their heärts, 7 "Why does this man speak blasphemies like that? Who can forgive sins but Elohim alone?"

8 Immediately Jeşuş, pêrçeiving in his spirit that they so reasoned within themselves, said to them, "Why do you reason these things in your hearts? 9 Which is easier, to tell the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven; or to say, 'Arise, and take up your bed, and walk?' 10 But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he said to the paralytic— 11 "I tell you, arise, take up your mat, and go to your house."

12 He aroşe, and immediately took up the mat, and went out in front of them all; so that they were all amazed, and glorified Elohim, saying, "We never saw anything like this!"

13 He went out again by the seaside. All the multitude came to him, and he taught them. 14 As he passed by, he saw Levi, the son of Alphaeus, sitting at the tax office, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he arose and followed him.

15 He was reclining at the table in his house, and many tax collectors and sinners sat down with Jesus and his disciples, for there were many, and they followed him. 16 The scribes and the Pharisees, when they saw that he was eating with the sinners and tax collectors, said to his disciples, "Why is it that he eats and drinks with tax collectors and sinners?"

17 When Jeşuş hêard it, he said to **th**em, "**Thoş**e who are heal**th**y have no need for a **physic**ian, but **thos**e who are sick. I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."

18 John's disciples and the Pharisees were fästing, and they came and äsked him, "Why do John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees fäst, but your disciples don't fäst?"

19 Jeşuş said to them, "Can the greemsmen fäst while the bridegreem is with them? As long as they have the bridegreem with them, they cän't fäst. 20 But the dayş will come when the bridegreem will be taken away from them, and then will they fäst in that day. 21 No one sews a pieçe of unshrunk cloth on an old gärment, or else the patch shrinks and the new tearş away from the old, and a worse hole is made. 22 No one puts new wine into old wineskinş, or else the new wine will bûrst the skinş, and the wine pourş out, and the skinş will be destroyed; but they put new wine into fresh wineskinş."

23 He was going on the Sabbath day through the grain fields, and his disciples began, as theywent, to pluck the ears of grain. 24 The Pharisees said to him, "Behold, Why de they de that which is not låwful on the Sabbath day?"

25 He said to **them**, "Did you never read what David did, when he had need, and was hungry—he, and **those** whe were with him? 26 Hew he entered into the house of **Elohim** when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread, of the table of **YAHWEH** which is not lawful to eat except for the priests, and gave also to **those** whe were with him?"27 He said to **them**, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath.28 **Therefore** the Son of Man is master even of the Sabbath."

Mark 3

He entered again into the synagogue, and there was a man there who had his hand withered. 2 They watched him, whether he would heal him on the Sabbath day, that they might accus e him.

3 He said to the man who had his hand withered, "Stand up." 4 He said to them, "Is it låwful on the Sabbath day to do good, or to do härm? To save a life, or to kill?" But they were silent. 5 When he had looked around at them with anger, being grieved at the härdening of their heärts, he said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored as healthy as the other. 6 The Pharisees went out, and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how they might destroy him.

7 Jeşuş withdrew to the sea with his disçipleş, and a great multitude followed him from Galilee, from Judea, 8 from Jeruşalem, from Idumaea, beyond the Jördan, and those from around Tyre and Sidon. A great multitude, hearing what great things he did, came to him. 9 He spoke to his disciples that a little boat shoù/d stay near him becauşe of the crowd, so that they woù/dn't press on him. 10 For he had healed many, so that as many as had diseases pressed on him that they might touch him. 11 The unclean spirits, whenever they saw him, fell down before him, and cried, "You are the Son of Elohim!" 12 He stêrnly warned them that they shoù/d not make him known.

13 He went up into the mountain, and called to himself those whom he wanted, and they went to him. 14 He appointed twelve, that they might be with him, and that he might send them out to preach, 15 and to have authority to heal sicknesses and to cast out demons: 16 Simon, to whom he gave the name Peter; 17 James the son of Zebedee; John, the brother of James, and he called them Boanerges, which means, Sons of thunder; 18 Andrew; Philip; Bärtholomew; Marthew; Thomas; James, the son of Alphaeus; Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot; 19 and Judas Iscariot, who also betrayed him. He came into a house. 20 The multitude came together again, so that they could not so much as eat bread. 21 When his friends heard it, they went out to seize him: for they said, "He is insane." 22 The scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebub," and, "By the prince of the demons he casts out the demons."

23 He summoned them, and said to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? 24 If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. 25 If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. 26 If Satan has risen up against himself, and is divided, he can't stand, but has an end. 27 But no one can enter into the house of the strong man to plunder, unless he first binds the strong man; and then he will plunder his house. 28 Most certainly I tell you, all sins of the descendants of man will be forgiven, including their blasphemies with which they may blaspheme; 29 but wheever may blaspheme against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is subject to eternal condemnation." 30 — because they said, "He has an unclean spirit."

31 His mother and his brothers came, and standing outside, they sent to him, calling him. 32 A multitude was sitting around him, and they told him, "Behold, your mother, your brothers, and your sisters are outside looking for you."

33 He answered them, "Whe are my mother and my brothers?" 34 Looking around at those whe sat around him, he said, "Behold, my mother and my brothers! 35 For wheever does the will of Elohim, the same is my brother, and my sister, and mother."

Mark 4

Again he began to teach by the seaside. A great multitude was gathered to him, so that he entered into a boat in the sea, and sat down. All the multitude were on the land by the sea. 2 He taught them many things in parables, and told them in his teaching, 3 "Listen! Behold, the farmer went out to sow, 4 and as he sowed, some seed fell by the road, and the birds came and devoured it.5 Others fell on the rocky ground, where it had little soil, and immediately it sprang up, because it had no depth of soil. 6 When the sun had risen, it was scorched; and because it had no root, it withered away. 7 Others fell among the thorns, and the thorns grew up, and choked it, and it yielded no fruit. 8 Others fell into the good ground, and yielded fruit, growing up and increasing. Some produced thirty times, some sixty times, and some one hundred times as much." 9 He said, "Whoever has ears to hear, let him hear."

10 When he was alone, those who were around him with the twelve asked him about the parables. 11 He said to them, "To you is given the mystery of the kingdom of Elohim, but to those who are outside, all things are done in parables, 12 that 'seeing they may see, and not perçeive; and hearing they may hear, and not understand; lest perhaps they should turn again, and their sins should be forgiven them."

13 He said to them, "Don't you understand this parable? How will you understand all of the parables? 14 The farmer sows the word. 15 The ones by the road are the ones where the word is sown; and when they have heard, immediately Satan comes, and takes away the word which has been sown in them. 16 These in the same way are those who are sown on the rocky places, who, when they have heard the word, immediately receive it with joy. 17 They have no root in themselves, but are short-lived. When oppression or persecution arises because of the word, immediately they stumble. 18 Others are those who are sown among the thorns. These are those who have heard the word, 19 and the cares of this age, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts of other things entering in choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful. 20 Those which were sown on the good ground are those who hear the word, and accept it, and bear fruit, some thirty times, some sixty times, and some one hundred times."

21 He said to **them**, "Is the lamp brought to be put under a basket or under a bed? Işn't it put on a stand? 22 For **there** is nothing hidden, except **that** it **shou**/d be made known; neither was anything made secret, but **that** it **shou**/d come to light. 23 If any man has ears to hear, let him hear."

24 He said to **th**em, "Take heed what you hear. Wi**th** whatever measure you measure, it will be measured to you, and more will be given to you who hear. 25 For who ever has, to him will more be given, and he who doesn't have, even **th**at which he has will be taken away from him."

26 He said, "The Kingdom of **Elohim** is as if a man shoù/d cäst seed on the êarth, 27 and shoù/d sleep and rise night and day, and the seed shoù/d spring up and grow, he doesn't know how. 28 For the êarth bears fruit: fîrst the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. 29 But when the fruit is ripe, immediately he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."

30 He said, "How will we liken the kingdom of **Elohim**? or with what parable will we illustrate it? 31 It's like a grain of mustard seed, which, when it is sown in the êarth, though it is less than all the seeds that are on the êarth, 32 yet when it is sown, grows up, and becomes greater than all the hêrbs, and puts out great branches, so that the birds of the sky can lodge under its shadow."

33 With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. 34 Without a parable he didn't speak to them; but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

35 On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let's go over to the other side." 36 Leaving the multitude, they took him with them, even as he was, in the boat. other small boats were also with him. 37 A big wind storm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so much that the boat was already filled. 38 He himself was in the storm, asleep on the cushion, and they woke him up, and told him, "Teacher, don't you care that we are dying?"

39 He awoke, and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peaçe! Be still!" The wind ceased, and there was a great cam. 40 He said to them, "Why are you so afraid? How is it that you have no faith?" 41 They were greatly afraid, and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

Mark 5

They came to the other side of the sea, into the country of the Gadarenes. 2 When he had come out of the boat, immediately a man with an unclean spirit met him out of the tombs. 3 He lived in the tombs. Nobody could bind him any more, not even with chains, 4 because he had been often bound with fetters and chains, and the chains had been torn apart by him, and the fetters broken in pieces. Nobody had the strength to tame him. 5 Always, night and day, in the tombs and in the mountains, he was crying out, and cutting himself with stones. 6 When he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and bowed down to him, 7 and crying out with a loud voice, he said, "What have I to do with you, Jesus, you Son of the Most High Elohim? I adjure you by Elohim, don't toment me." 8 For he said to him, "Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!"

9 He äsked him, "What is your name?"

He said to him, "My name is Legion, for we are many." 10 He begged him much that he would not send them away out of the country. 11 Now on the mountainside there was a great herd of pigs feeding. 12 All the demons begged him, saying, "Send us into the pigs, that we may enter into them."

13 At once Jeşuş gave them pêrmission. The unclean spirits came out and entered into the pigs. The hêrd of about two thousand rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and they were drowned in the sea. 14 Those who fed them fled, and told it in the city and in the country.

The people came to see what it was that had happened. 15 They came to Jeşuş, and saw him who had been possessed by demons sitting, clothed, and in his right mind, even him who had the Legion; and they were afraid. 16 Those who saw it declared to them what happened to him who was possessed by demons, and about the pigs. 17 They began to beg him to depart from their region.

18 As he was entering into the boat, he who had been possessed by demons begged him that he might be with him. 19 He didn't allow him, but said to him, "Go to your house, to your friends, and tell them what great things YAHWEH has done for you, and how he had mercy on you."

20 He went his way, and began to proclaim in Decapolis how Jeşuş had done great **th**ings for him, and everyone märveled.

21 When Jeşuş had crossed back over in the boat to the other side, a great multitude was gathered to him; and he was by the sea. 22 Behold, one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, came; and seeing him, he fell at his feet, 23 and begged him much, saying, "My little dåughter is at the point of death. Please come and lay your hands on her, that she may be made healthy, and live."

24 He went with him, and a great multitude followed him, and they pressed upon him on all sides. 25 A certain woman, who had an issue of blood for twelve years, 26 and had suffered many things by many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better, but rather grew worse, 27 having heard the things concerning Jesus, came up behind him in the crowd, and touched his clothes. 28 For she said, "If I just touch his clothes, I will be made well." 29 Immediately the flow of her blood was dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her affliction.

30 Immediately Jeşuş, pêrçeiving in himself that the power had gone out from him, tûrned around in the crowd, and äsked, "Who touched my clothes?"

31 His disciples said to him, "You see the multitude pressing against you, and you say, 'Who touched me?'"

32 He looked around to see her who had done this thing. 33 But the woman, fearing and trembling, knowing what had been done to her, came and fell down before him, and told him all the truth.

34 He said to her, "Dåughter, your faith has made you well. Go in peace, and be cured of your disease."

35 While he was still speaking, people came from the synagogue ruler's house saying, "Your dåughter is dead. Why bother the Teacher any more?"

36 But Jeşuş, when he hêard the message spoken, immediately said to the ruler of the synagogue, "Don't be afraid, only believe." 37 He allowed no one to follow him, except Peter, James, and John the brother of James. 38 He came to the synagogue ruler's house, and he saw an uproar, weeping, and great wailing. 39 When he had entered in, he said to them, "Why do you make an uproar and weep? The child is not dead, but is asleep."

40 They ridiculed him. But he, having put them all sut, took the father of the child, her mother, and those who were with him, and went in where the child was lying. 41 Taking the child by the hand, he said to her, "Talitha cumi!" which means, being interpreted, "Gîrl, I tell you, get up!" 42 Immediately the gîrl rose up and wa/ked, for she was twelve years old. They were amazed with great amazement. 43 He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and commanded that something should be given to her to eat.

Mark 6

He went out from there. He came into his own country, and his disciples followed him. 2 When the Sabbath had come, he began to teach in the synagogue, and many hearing him were astonished, saying, "Where did this man get these things?" and, "What is the wisdom that is given to this man, that such mighty works come about by his hands? 3 Isn't this the carpenter, the son of Mary, and brother of James, Joses, Judah, and Simon? ären't his sisters here with us?" They were offended at him.

4 Jeşuş said to them, "A prophet is not without honor, except in his own country, and among his own relatives, and in his own house." 5 He could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people, and healed them. 6 He märveled because of their unbelief.

He went around the villages teaching. 7 He called to himself the twelve, and began to send them out two by two; and he gave them authority over the unclean spirits. 8 He commanded them that they should take nothing for their journey, except a staff only: no bread, no wallet, no money in their purse, 9 but to wear sandals, and not put on two tunics. 10 He said to them, "Wherever you enter into a house, stay there until you depart from there. 11 Whoever will not receive you nor hear you, as you depart from there, shake off the dust that is under your feet for a testimony against them. Assuredly, I tell you, it will be

more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment than for that city!"

12 **Th**ey went **s**ut and preached **th**at people **sh**où/d repent. 13 They cäst **s**ut many d**e**m**o**n**s**, and anointed many wi**th** oil whe were sick, and healed **th**em. 14 King Herod hêard **th**is, for his name had become known, and he said, "John the Baptizer has risen from the dead, and **th**erefore **these** powers are at work in him." 15 But **oth**ers said, "He is Elijah." **oth**ers said, "He is a prophet, or like one of the prophets." 16 But Herod, when he hêard **th**is, said, "**Th**is is John, whem I beheaded. He has risen from the dead." 17 For Herod himself had sent **s**ut and arrested John, and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, for he had married her. 18 For John said to Herod, "It is not låwful for you to have your brother's wife." 19 Herodias set hêrself against him, and desired to kill him, but she couldn't, 20 for Herod feared John, knowing **th**at he was a righteous and holy man, and kept him safe. When he hêard him, he did many **th**ings, and he hêard him gladly.

21 **Th**en a convenient day came, **th**at Herod on his birthday made a supper for his nobles, the high officers, and the **chief** men of Galilee. 22 When the daughter of Herodias herself came in and danced, she pleased Herod and **those** sitting with him. The king said to the young lady, "Ask me whatever you want, and I will give it to you." 23 He swore to her, "Whatever you shall ask of me, I will give you, up to half of my kingdom."

24 She went out, and said to her mother, "What shall I ask?"

She said, "The head of John the Baptizer."

25 She came in immediately with haste to the king, and äsked, "I want you to give me right now the head of John the Baptizer on a platter."

26 The king was ex**cee**dingly sorry, but for the sake of his oaths, and of his dinner guests, he didn't wish to refuse her. 27 Immediately the king sent out a soldier of his guärd, and commanded to bring John's head, and he went and beheaded him in the prison, 28 and brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the young lady; and the young lady gave it to her mother.

29 When his disciples heard this, they came and took up his corpse, and laid it in a temb.

30 The apostle gathered themselves together to Jesus, and they told him all things, whatever they had done, and whatever they had taught. 31 He said to them, "You come apart into a deserted place, and rest awhile." For there were many coming and going, and they had no leisure so much as to eat. 32 They went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. 33 They saw them going, and many recognized him and ran there on foot from all the cities. They arrived before them and came together to him. 34 Jesus came out, saw a great multitude, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he began to teach them many things.

35 When it was late in the day, his disciples came to him, and said, "This place is deserted, and it is late in the day. 36 Send them away, that they may go into the surrounding country and villages, and buy themselves bread, for they have nothing to eat."

37 But he answered them, "You give them something to eat."

They \(\bar{a}\)sked him, "Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread, and give them something to eat?"

38 He said to **th**em, "How many loaves do you have? Go see."

When they knew, they said, "Five, and two fish."

39 He commanded them that everyone shoù/d sit down in groups on the green gräss. 40 They sat down in ranks, by hundreds and by fifties. 41 He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he blessed and broke the loaves, and he gave to his disciples to set before them, and he divided the two fish among them all. 42 They all ate, and were filled. 43 They took up twelve bäskets full of broken pieces and also of the fish. 44 Those who are the loaves were five thousand men.

45 Immediately he made his disciples get into the boat, and to go ahead to the **other** side, to Bethsaida, while he himself sent the multitude away. 46 After he had taken leave of them, he went up the mountain to pray.

47 When evening had come, the boat was in the middle of the sea, and he was alone on the land. 48 Seeing them distressed in rowing, for the wind was contrary to them, about the fourth watch of the night he came to them, warking on the sea, and he would have passed by them, 49 but they, when they saw him warking on the sea, supposed that it was a ghost, and cried out; 50 for they all saw him, and were troubled. But he immediately spoke with them, and said to them, "Cheer up! It is !! Don't be afraid." 51 He got into the boat with them; and the wind ceased, and they were very amazed among themselves, and marveled; 52 for they hadn't understood about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened.

53 When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret, and moored to the shore. 54 When they had come out of the boat, immediately the people recognized him, 55 and ran around that whole region, and began to bring those who were sick, on their mats, to where they heard he was. 56 Wherever he entered, into villages, or into cities, or into the country, they laid the sick in the märket places, and begged him that they might touch just the fringe of his gärment; and as many as touched him were made well.

Mark 7

Then the Phariseeş and some of the scribeş gathered together to him, having come from Jeruşalem.

2 New when they saw some of his disciples eating bread with defiled, that is unwashed, hands, they found fault. 3 (For the Pharisees and all the Jews, don't eat unless they wash their hands and forearms, holding to the tradition of the elders. 4 They don't eat when they come from the marketplace unless they bathe themselves, and there are many other things, which they have received to hold to: washings of cups, pitchers, bronze vessels, and couches.) 5 The Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why don't your disciples walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat their bread with unwashed hands?"

6 He answered them, "Well did Işaiah prophecy of you Hypocrites, as it is written,

'This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me.7 But they wôrship me in vain, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.

8 "For you set aside the commandment of **Elohim**, and hold tightly to the tradition of men—the washing of pitchers and cups, and you do many other such things." 9 He said to them, "Full well do you reject the commandment of **Elohim**, that you may keep your tradition. 10 For Moses said, 'Honor your father and your mother; and, 'He who speaks evil of father or mother, let him be put to death. 11 But you say, 'If a man tells his father or his mother, "Whatever profit you might have received from me is Corban, that is to say, given to **Elohim**";'12 then you no longer allow him to do anything for his father or his mother, 13 making void the word of **Elohim** by your tradition, which you have handed down. You do many things like this."

14 He called all the multitude to himself, and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. 15 There is nothing from outside of the man, that going into him can defile him; but the things which proceed out of the man are those that defile the man. 16 If anyone has ears to hear, let him hear!"

17 When he had entered into a house away from the multitude, his disciples äsked him about the parable. 18 He said to them, "Are you also without understanding? Don't you pêrceive that whatever goes into the man from outside can't defile him, 19 because it doesn't go into his heart, but into his stomach, then into the latrine, thus purifying all foods?" 20 He said, "That which proceeds out of the man, that defiles the man. 21 For from within, out of the hearts of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, sexual sins, murders, thefts, 22 covetings, wickedness, deceit, lustful desires, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, and foolishness. 23 All these evil things come from within, and defile the man."

24 From there he arose, and went away into the borders of Tyre and Sidon. He entered into a house, and didn't want anyone to know it, but he couldn't escape notice. 25 For a woman, whose little daughter had an unclean spirit, having heard of him, came and fell down at his feet. 26 Now the woman was a Greek, a Syrophoenician by race. She begged him that he would cast the demon out

of her dåughter. 27 But Jeşuş said to her, "Let the children be filled fîrst, for it is not appropriate to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs."

28 But she answered him, "Yes, Lord. Yet even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs."

29 He said to her, "For **th**is saying, go your way. The demon has gone out of your daughter."

30 She went away to her house, and found the **chi**ld having been laid on the bed, wi**th** the demon gone out.

31 Again he depärted from the borders of Tyre and Sidon, and came to the sea of Galilee, through the middle of the region of Decapolis. 32 They brought to him one who was deaf and had an impediment in his speech. They begged him to lay his hand on him. 33 He took him aside from the multitude, privately, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat, and touched histongue. 34 Looking up to heaven, he sighed, and said to him, "Ephatha!" that is, "Be opened!" 35 Immediately his ears were opened, and the impediment of his tongue was released, and he spoke clearly. 36 He commanded them that they should tell no one, but the more he commanded them, so much the more widely they proclaimed it. 37 They were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well. He makes even the deaf hear, and the mute speak!"

Mark 8

In **those** days, when **there** was a very great multitude, and **they** had nothing to **eat**, Jesus called his disciples to himself, and said to **them**, 2 "I have compassion on the multitude, because they have stayed with me now three days, and have nothing to **eat**. 3 If I send them away fasting to their home, they will faint on the way, for some of them have come a long way."

4 His disciples answered him, "From where could one satisfy these people with bread here in a deserted place?"

5 He äsked them, "How many loaves do you have?"

They said, "Seven."

6 He commanded the multitude to sit down on the ground, and he took the seven loaves. Having given thanks, he broke them, and gave them to his disciples to sêrve, and they sêrved the multitude. 7 They had a few småll fish. Having blessed them, he said to sêrve these ålso. 8 They ate, and were filled. They took up seven bäskets of broken pieces that were left over. 9 Those who had eaten were about four thousand. Then he sent them away.

10 Immediately he entered into the boat with his disciples, and came into the region of Dalmanutha. 11 The Pharisees came out and began to question him, seeking from him a sign from heaven, and testing him. 12 He sighed deeply in his

spirit, and said, "Why does this generation seek a sign? Most certainly I tell you, no sign will be given to this generation."

13 He left **th**em, and again entering into the **bo**at, dep**ä**rted to the **oth**er side. 14 **Th**ey forgot to take bread; and **th**ey didn't have more **th**an one loaf in the boat with them. 15 He warned them, saying, "Take heed: beware of the yeast of the Pharisees and the yeast of Herod."

16 They reasoned with one another, saying, "It's because we have no bread."

17 Jeşuş, pêrçeiving it, said to them, "Why de you reason that it's becauşe you have no bread? Don't you pêrçeive yet, neither understand? Is your heart still hardened? 18 Having eyeş, don't you see? Having earş, don't you hear? Don't you remember? 19 When I broke the five loaveş among the five thousand, how many baskets full of broken pieçeş did you take up?"

They told him, "Twelve."

20 "When the seven loaves fed the four thousand, how many baskets full of broken pieces did you take up?"

They told him, "Seven."

21 He äsked them, "Don't you understand, yet?"

22 He came to Bethsaida. They brought a blind man to him, and begged him to touch him. 23 He took hold of the blind man by the hand, and brought him out of the village. When he had spit on his eyes, and laid his hands on him, he äsked him if he saw anything.

24 He looked up, and said, "I see men; for I see them like trees walking."

25 **Th**en again he laid his hands on his eyes. He looked intently, and was restored, and saw everyone clearly. 26 He sent him away to his house, saying, "Don't enter into the village, nor tell anyone in the village."

27 Jeşuş went out, with his disçipleş, into the villages of Caesarea Philippi. On the way he äsked his disçipleş, "Who do men say that I am?"

28 **Th**ey told him, "John the Baptizer, and **oth**ers say Elijah, but **oth**ers: one of the prophets."

29 He said to **th**em, "But who do you say that I am?"

Peter answered, "You are the Christ."

30 He commanded **th**em **th**at **th**ey **sh**où/d tell no one about him. 31 He began to teach them **th**at the Son of Man must suffer many **th**ings, and be rejected by the elders, the **chief** priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after **th**ree days rise again. 32 He spoke to **th**em openly. Peter took him, and began to rebuke him.

33 But he, tûrning around, and seeing his disciples, rebuked Peter, and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you have in mind not the things of Elohim, but the things of men."

34 He cålled the multitude to himself with his disciples, and said to them, "Wheever wants to come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. 35 For wheever wants to save his life will lese it; and wheever will lese his life for my sake and the sake of the Good News will save it. 36 For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world, and forfeit his life? 37 For what will a man give in exchange for his life? 38 For wheever will be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man ålso will be ashamed of him, when he comes in his Fäther's glory, with the holy angels."

Mark 9

He said to them, "Most çêrtainly I tell you, there are some standing here who will in no way taste death until they see God's Kingdom come with power."

2 After six days Jeşuş töök with him Peter, Jameş, and John, and brought them up onto a high mountain privately by themselves, and he was changed into another form in front of them. 3 His clothing became glistening, exceedingly white, like snow, such as no launderer on earth can whiten them. 4 Elijah and Moses appeared to them, and they were taking with Jesus.

5 Peter answered Jeşuş, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let's make three tents: one for you, one for Moşeş, and one for Elijah." 6 For he didn't know what to say, for they were very afraid.

7 A cloud came, overshadowing them, and a voiçe came out of the cloud, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him."

8 Suddenly looking around, they saw no one with them any more, except Jeşuş only.

9 As they were coming down from the mountain, he commanded them that they should tell no one what things they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. 10 They kept this saying to themselves, questioning what the "rising from the dead" meant.

11 They äsked him, saying, "Why de the scribes say that Elijah must come first?"

12 He said to **th**em, "Elijah ind**ee**d c**o**meş fîrst, and rest**o**reş **a**ll **th**ingş. How is it written about the Son of Man, **th**at he **sh**o**u**/d suffer many **th**ingş and be despişed? 13 But I tell you **th**at Elijah haş c**o**me, and **th**ey have **a**lso d**o**ne to him whatever **th**ey wanted to, **e**ven as it is written about him."

14 Coming to the disciples, he saw a great multitude around them, and scribes questioning them. 15 Immediately all the multitude, when they saw him, were

greatly amazed, and running to him greeted him. 16 He äsked the scribes, "What are you äsking them?"

17 One of the multitude answered, "Teacher, I brought to you my son, who has a mute spirit; 18 and wherever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams at the mouth, and grinds his teeth, and wastes away. I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they weren't able."

19 He answered him, "Unbelieving generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him to me."

20 **Th**ey brought him to him, and when he saw him, immediately the spirit convulsed him, and he fell on the ground, wallowing and forming at the mouth.

21 He äsked his fäther, "How long has it been since this has come to him?"

He said, "From **chi**ldhood. 22 Often it has cast him both into the fire and into the water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us, and help us."

23 Jeşuş said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes."

24 Immediately the fäther of the **chi**ld cried **o**ut wi**th** tears, "I believe. Help my unbelief!"

25 When Jeşuş såw that a multitude came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to him, "You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him, and never enter him again!"

26 Having cried out, and convulsed greatly, it came out of him. The boy became like one dead; so much that most of them said, "He is dead." 27 But Jeşuş took him by the hand, and raised him up; and he arose.

28 When he had come into the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why couldn't we cast it out?" 29 He said to them, "This kind can come out by nothing, except by prayer and fasting."

30 **Th**ey went out from **th**ere, and pässe**d th**rough Galilee. He didn't want anyone to know it. 31 For he was **te**a**ch**ing his dis**ci**ple**s**, and said to **th**em, "The Son of Man is being handed over to the hand**s** of men, and **th**ey will kill him; and when he is killed, on the **th**ird day he will rise again."

32 But **th**ey didn't understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.

33 He came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing among yourselves on the way?"

34 But **th**ey were silent, for **th**ey had disputed one wi**th** an**oth**er on the way about who was the greatest.

35 He sat down, and called the twelve; and he said to them, "If any man wants to be first, he shall be last of all, and servant of all." 36 He took a little child, and set him in the middle of them. Taking him in his arms, he said to them, 37 "Whoever receives one such little child in my name, receives me, and whoever receives me, doesn't receive me, but him who sent me."

38 John said to him, "Teacher, we saw someone who doesn't follow us casting out demons in your name; and we forbade him, because he doesn't follow us."

39 But Jesus said, "Don't forbid him, for there is no one who will do a mighty wôrk in my name, and be able quickly to speak evil of me. 40 For wheever is not against us is on our side. 41 For whoever will give you a cup of water to drink in my name, because you are Christ's, most certainly I tell you, he will in no way lese his reward. 42 Wheever will cause one of these little ones whe believe in me to stumble, it would be better for him if he were thrown into the sea with a millstone hung around his neck. 43 If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed, räther than having your two hands to go into Gehenna, into the unquenchable fire, 44 'where their worm doesn't die, and the fire is not quenched.45 lf your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life lame, räther than having your two feet to be cast into Gehenna, into the fire that will never be quenched—46 'where their worm doesn't die, and the fire is not quenched.' 47 lf your eye causes you to stumble, cast it out. It is better for you to enter into the kingdom of **Elohim** with one eye, räther than having two eyes to be cast into the Gehenna of fire, 48 'where their worm doesn't die, and the fire is not quenched. 49 For everyone will be salted with fire, and every sacrifice will be seasoned with salt 50 Salt is good, but if the salt haş lost its saltiness, with what will you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

Mark 10

He arose from there and came into the borders of Judea and beyond the Jordan. Multitudes came together to him again. As he usually did, he was again teaching them. 2 Pharisees came to him testing him, and äsked him, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?"

3 He answered, "What did Moses command you?"

4 **Th**ey said, "Moşeş allowed a çêrtificate of divorçe to be written, and to divorçe her."

5 But Jeşuş said to them, "For your hardness of heart, he wrote you this commandment. 6 But from the beginning of the creation, Elohim made them male and female. 7 For this cauşe a man will leave his father and mother, and will join to his wife, 8 and the two will become one flesh, so that they are no longer two, but one flesh. 9 What therefore Elohim has joined together, let no man separate."

10 In the house, his disciples äsked him again about the same matter. 11 He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife, and marries another, commits adultery against her. 12 If a woman herself divorces her husband, and marries another, she commits adultery."

13 They were bringing to him little children, that he shoù/d touch them, but the disciples rebuked those who were bringing them. 14 But when Jesus saw it, he was moved with indignation, and said to them, "Allow the little children to come to me! Don't forbid them, for the kingdom of Elohim belongs to such as these. 15 Most certainly I tell you, who ever will not receive kingdom of Elohim like a little child, he will in no way enter into it." 16 He took them in his ärms, and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

17 As he was going out into the way, one ran to him, knelt before him, and äsked him, "Good Teacher, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?"

18 Jeşuş said to him, "Why de you câll me good? No one is good except one—**Elohim**. 19 You know the commandments: 'Do not mûrder,'Do not commit adultery, 'Do not steal, 'Do not give fâlse testimony, 'Do not defrâud, 'Honor your fâther and mother.'"

20 He said to him, "Teacher, I have obşêrved åll theşe things from my youth."

21 Jeşuş looking at him loved him, and said to him, "One thing you lack. Go, sell whatever you have, and give to the poor, and you will have treaşure in heaven; and come, follow me, taking up the cross."

22 But his face fell at **th**at saying, and he went away sorrowful, for he was one who had great possessions. 23 Jesus looked around, and said to his disciples, "How difficult it is for **those** who have riches to enter into the kingdom of **Elohim!**"

24 The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus answered again, "Children, how hard is it for those who trust in riches to enter into the kigdom of Elohim! 25 It is easier for a rope to go through a needle's eye than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of Elohim."

26 They were exceedingly astonished, saying to him, "Then who can be saved?"

27 Jeşuş, looking at them, said, "With men it is impossible, but not with Elohim, for all things are possible with Elohim."

28 Peter began to tell him, "Behold, we have left all, and have followed you."

29 Jeşuş said, "Most çêrtainly I tell you, there is no one who has left house, or brothers, or sisters, or fäther, or mother, or wife, or children, or land, for my sake, and for the sake of the Good News, 30 but he will receive one hundred times more now in this time, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children, and land, with persecutions; and in the age to come eternal life. 31 But many who are first will be läst; and the läst first."

- 32 **Th**ey were on the way, going up to Jeruşalem; and Jeşuş was going in front of **th**em, and **th**ey were amazed; and **th**oşe who followed were afraid. He again took the twelve, and began to tell **th**em the **th**ings **th**at were going to happen to him. 33 "Behold, we are going up to Jeruşalem. The Son of Man will be delivered to the **chief** priests and the scribes. **Th**ey will condemn him to death, and will deliver him to the Gentiles. 34 **Th**ey will mock him, spit on him, scoûrge him, and kill him. On the **th**ird day he will rise again."
- 35 Jameş and John, the sons of Zebedee, came near to him, saying, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we will ask."
- 36 He said to **th**em, "What do you want me to do for you?"
- 37 **Th**ey said to him, "Grant to us **th**at we may sit, one at your right hand, and one at your left hand, in your glory."
- 38 But Jeşuş said to them, "You don't know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, and to be baptized with the baptişm that I am baptized with?"
- 39 **Th**ey said to him, "We are **a**ble."
- Jeşuş said to them, "You shall indeed drink the cup that I drink, and you shall be baptized with the baptişm that I am baptized with; 40 but to sit at my right hand and at my left hand is not mine to give, but for whem it has been prepared."
- 41 When the ten heard it, they began to be indignant towards James and John.
- 42 Jeşuş summoned them, and said to them, "You know that they who are recognized as rulers over the nations have authority over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. 43 But it shall not be so among you, but who ever wants to become great among you shall be your servant. 44 Who ever of you wants to become first among you, shall be bondservant of all. 45 For the Son of Man also came not to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."
- 46 **They** came to Jericho. As he went out from Jericho, with his disciples and a great multitude, the son of Timaeus, Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the road. 47 When he heard that it was Jesus the Nazarene, he began to cry out, and say, "Jesus, you son of David, have mêrçy on me!" 48 Many rebuked him, that he shoùld be quiet, but he cried out much môre, "You son of David, have mêrçy on me!"
- 49 Jeşuş stood still, and said, "Call him."
- They called the blind man, saying to him, "Cheer up! Get up. He is calling you!" 50 He, casting away his cloak, sprang up, and came to Jeşuş.

51 Jeşuş äsked him, "What de you want me to de for you?"

The blind man said to him, "Rabboni, that I may see again."

52 Jeşuş said to him, "Go your way. Your faith haş made you well." Immediately he reçeived his sight, and followed Jeşuş on the way.

Mark 11

When **th**ey came near to Jeruşalem, to Be**th**sphage and Be**th**any, at the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, 2 and said to **th**em, "Go your way into the village **th**at is opposite you. Immediately as you enter into it, you will find a young donkey tied, on which no one has sat. Untie him, and bring him. 3 If anyone asks you, 'Why are you doing **th**is? you say, 'Our Master needs him; and immediately he will send him back here."

4 They went away, and found a young donkey tied at the door outside in the open street, and they untied him. 5 Some of those who stood there asked them, "What are you doing, untying the young donkey?" 6 They said to them just as Jesus had said, and they let them go.

7 They brought the young donkey to Jeşuş, and threw their gärments on it, and Jeşuş sat on it. 8 Many spread their gärments on the way, and others were cutting down branches from the trees, and spreading them on the road. 9 Those who went in front, and those who followed, cried out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! 10 Blessed is the kingdom of our fäther David that is coming in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"

11 Jeşuş entered into the temple in Jeruşalem. When he had looked around at everything, it being now evening, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

12 The next day, when **th**ey had come out from Be**th**any, he was hungry. 13 Seeing a fig tree afar off having leaves, he came to see if perhaps he might find anything on it. When he came to it, he found nothing but leaves, for it was not the season for figs. 14 Jesus told it, "May no one ever eat fruit from you again!" and his disciples heard it.

15 **Th**ey came to Jeruşalem, and Jeşuş entered into the temple, and began to **th**row out **th**ose who sold and **th**ose who bought in the temple, and over**th**rew the tables of the money **changers**, and the seats of **those** who sold the doves. 16 He would not allow anyone to carry a container **th**rough the temple. 17 He taught, saying to **th**em, "Isn't it written, 'My house will be called a house of prayer for all the nations? But you have made it a den of robbers!"

18 The **chief** priests and the scribes heard it, and sought how they might destroy him. For **they** feared him, because all the multitude was astonished at his teaching.

19 When evening came, he went of the city. 20 As they passed by in the morning, they saw the fig tree withered away from the rests. 21 Peter, remembering, said to him, "Rabbi, look! The fig tree which you cursed has withered away."

22 Jeşuş answered them, "Have faith in Elohim. 23 For most çêrtainly I tell you, wheever may tell this mountain, 'Be taken up and cast into the sea, and doeşn't doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says is happening; he shall have whatever he says. 24 Therefore I tell you, all things whatever you pray and ask for, believe that you have received them, and you shall have them. 25 Whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone; so that your Father, who is in heaven, may also forgive you your transgressions. 26 But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father in heaven forgive your transgressions."

27 **Th**ey came again to Jeruşalem, and as he was wå/king in the temple, the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders came to him, 28 and they began saying to him, "By what åuthority de you de these things? Or whe gave you this åuthority to de these things?"

29 Jeşuş said to them, "I will äsk you one question. Answer me, and I will tell you by what authority I do these things. 30 The baptism of John—was it from heaven, or from men? Answer me."

31 They reasoned with themselves, saying, "If we shou'd say, 'From heaven; he will say, 'Why then did you not believe him?' 32 If we shou'd say, 'From men'"—they feared the people, for all held John to really be a prophet. 33 They answered Jesus, "We don't know."

Jeşuş said to them, "Neither de I tell you by what authority I de theşe things."

Mark 12

He began to speak to them in parables. "A man planted a vineyard, put a hedge around it, dug a pit for the wine press, built a tower, rented it out to a farmer, and went into another country. 2 When it was time, he sent a servant to the farmer to get from the farmer his share of the fruit of the vineyard. 3 They took him, beat him, and sent him away empty. 4 Again, he sent another servant to them; and they threw stones at him, wounded him in the head, and sent him away shamefully treated. 5 Again he sent another; and they killed him; and many others, beating some, and killing some. 6 Therefore still having one, his beloved son, he sent him läst to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' 7 But those farmers said among themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let's kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.' 8 They took him, killed him, and cast him out of the vineyard. 9 What therefore will the lord of the vineyard de? He will come and destroy the farmers, and will give the vineyard to others. 10 Haven't you even read this Scripture:

'The stone which the builders rejected, the same was made the head of the corner.11 This was from the presence of YAHWEH, it is marvelous in our eyes'?"

12 They tried to seize him, but they feared the multitude; for they pêrçeived that he spoke the parable against them. They left him, and went away. 13 They sent some of the Phariseeş and of the Herodians to him, that they might trap him with wôrds. 14 When they had come, they äsked him, "Teacher, we know that you are honest, and don't defêr to anyone; for you ären't pärtial to anyone, but truly teach the way of Elohim. Is it låwful to pay taxes to Caeşar, or not? 15 Shall we give, or shall we not give?"

But he, knowing their hypocrisy, said to them, "Why do you test me? Bring me a denarius, that I may see it."

16 They brought it.

He said to them, "Whese is this image and inscription?"

They said to him, "Caeşar'ş."

17 Jeşuş answered them, "Render to Caeşar the things that are Caeşar's, and to Elohim the things that are Elohim's."

They märveled greatly at him.

18 There came to him Sadduçeeş, who say that there is no reşurrection. They äsked him, saying, 19 "Teacher, Moşeş wrote to us, 'If a man's brother dieş, and leaveş a wife behind him, and leaveş no children, that his brother should take his wife, and raise up offspring for his brother.' 20 There were seven brothers. The first took a wife, and dying left no offspring. 21 The second took her, and died, leaving no children behind him. The third likewise; 22 and the seven took her and left no children. Läst of åll the woman ålso died. 23 In the resurrection, when they rise, whose wife will she be of them? For the seven had her as a wife."

24 Jeşuş answered them, "Isn't this becauşe you are mistaken, not knowing the Scriptures, nor the power of Elohim? 25 For when they will rise from the dead, they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are like angels in heaven. 26 But about the dead, that they are raised; haven't you read in the book of Moses, about the Bush, how Elohim spoke to him, saying, 'I am the Elohim of Abraham, the Elohim of Işaac, and the Elohim of Jacob' ? 27 He is not the Elohim of the dead, but of the living. You are therefore badly mistaken."

28 One of the scribes came, and heard them questioning together. Knowing that he had answered them well, äsked him, "Which commandment is the greatest of all?"

29 Jeşuş answered, "The greatest is, 'Hear oh Işrael, YAHWEH our Elohim is one: 30 you shall love YAHWEH your Elohim with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first commandment. 31 The second is like this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these."

32 The scribe said to him, "Truly, teacher, you have said well that he is one, and there is none other but he, 33 and to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, with all the soul, and with all the strength, and to love his neighbor as himself, is more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices."

34 When Jeşuş saw that he answered wişely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kindom of **Elohim**."

No one dared ask him any question after that. 35 Jeşuş responded, as he taught in the temple, "How is it that the scribes say that the Christ is the son of David?36 For David himself said in the Holy Spirit,

'YAHWEH said to my Master, "Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies the footstool of your feet."

37 Therefore David himself calls him My Master, so how can he be his son?"

The common people heard him gladly. 38 In his teaching he said to them, "Beware of the scribes, who like to wa/k in long robes, and to get greetings in the märketplaces, 39 and the best seats in the synagogues, and the best places at feasts: 40 those who devour widows' houses, and for a pretense make long prayers. These will receive greater condemnation."

41 Jeşuş sat dewn oppoşite the treaşury, and såw hew the multitude cäst money into the treaşury. Many who were rich cäst in much. 42 A poor widow came, and she cäst in two småll bräss coins, which equal a quadrans coin. 43 He cålled his disciples to himself, and said to them, "Most cêrtainly I tell you, this poor widow gave more than all those who are giving into the treasury, 44 for they all gave out of their abundance, but she, out of her poverty, gave all that she had to live on."

Mark 13

As he went of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Teacher, see what kind of stones and what kind of buildings!"

2 Jeşuş said to him, "Do you see theşe great buildings? There will not be left here one stone on another, which will not be thrown down."

3 As he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew äsked him privately, 4 "Tell us, when will **these things** be? What is the sign **that these things** are all about to be fulfilled?"

5 Jeşuş, answering, began to tell **th**em, "Be careful **th**at no one leadş you astray.6 For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and will lead many astray.

7 "When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, don't be troubled. For those must happen, but the end is not yet. 8 For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places. There will be famines and troubles. These things are the beginning of birth pains. 9 But watch yourselves, for they will deliver you up to councils. You will be beaten in synagogues. You will stand before rulers and kings for my sake, for a testimony to them. 10 The Good News must first be preached to all the nations. 11 When they lead you away and deliver you up, don't be anxious beforehand, or premeditate what you will say, but say whatever will be given you in that hour. For it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit.

12 "Brother will deliver up brother to death, and the father his child. Children will rise up against parents, and cause them to be put to death. 13 You will be hated by all men for my name's sake, but he who endures to the end, the same will be saved. 14 But when you see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not (let the reader understand), then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, 15 and let him who is on the housetop not go down, nor enter in, to take anything out of his house. 16 Let him who is in the field not return back to take his cloak. 17 But woe to those who are with child and to those who nurse babies in those days! 18 Pray that your flight won't be in the winter. 19 For in those days there will be oppression, such as there has not been the like from the beginning of the creation which Elohim created until now, and never will be 20 Unless YAHWEH had shortened the days, no flesh would have been saved; but for the sake of the chosen ones, whom he picked out, he shortened the days. 21 Then if anyone tells you, 'Look, here is the Christ! or, 'Look, there! don't believe it. 22 For there will arise false christs and false prophets, and will show signs and wonders, that they may lead astray, if possible, even the chosen oneş. 23 But you watch.

"Behold, I have told you all things beforehand. 24 But in those days, after that oppression, the sun will be därkened, the moon will not give its light, 25 the stärs will be falling from the sky, and the powers that are in the heavens will be shaken. 26 Then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. 27 Then he will send out his angels, and will gather together his chosen ones from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of the sky.

28 "Now from the fig tree, learn this parable. When the branch has now become tender, and produces its leaves, you know that the summer is near; 29 even so you also, when you see these things coming to pass, know that it is near, at the doors, 30 Most certainly I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things happen. 31 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my

wôrdş will not päss away. 32 But of that day or that hour no one knows, not even the angelş in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Fäther. 33 Watch, keep alêrt, and pray; for you don't know when the time is.

34 "It is like a man, traveling to another country, having left his house, and given authority to his servants, and to each one his work, and also commanded the doorkeeper to keep watch. 35 Watch therefore, for you don't know when the master of the house is coming, whether at evening, or at midnight, or when the rooter crows, or in the morning; 36 lest coming suddenly he might find you sleeping. 37 What I tell you, I tell all: Watch."

Mark 14

It was now two days before the feast of the Pässover and the unleavened bread, and the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might seize him by deception, and kill him. 2 For they said, "Not during the feast, because there might be a riot of the people."

3 While he was at Bethany, in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came having an alabaster jär of ointment of pure nård—very costly. She broke the jär, and poured it over his head. 4 But there were some who were indignant among themselves, saying, "Why has this ointment been wasted? 5 For this might have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and given to the poor." They grumbled against her.

6 But Jeşuş said, "Leave her alone. Why do you trouble her? She haş done a good work for me. 7 For you alwayş have the poor with you, and whenever you want to, you can do them good; but you will not alwayş have me. 8 She haş done what she could. She haş anointed my body beforehand for the burying. 9 Most çêrtainly I tell you, wherever this Good Newş may be

preached throughout the whole world, that which this woman has done will also be spoken of for a memorial of her."

10 Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went away to the **chief** priests, that he might deliver him to them. 11 They, when they heard it, were glad, and promised to give him money. He sought have he might conveniently deliver him. 12 On the first day of unleavened bread, when they sacrificed the Pässover, his disciples äsked him, "Where do you want us to go and prepare that you may eat the Pässover?"

13 He sent two of his disciples, and said to them, "Go into the city, and there you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him. 14 and wherever he enters in, tell the mäster of the house, 'The Teacher says, "Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Pässover with my disciples?" 15 He will himself show you a lärge upper room fürnished and ready. Get ready for us there."

- 16 His disciples went out, and came into the city, and found things as he had said to them, and they prepared the Pässover.
- 17 When it was evening he came with the twelve. 18 As they sat and were eating, Jeşuş said, "Most çêrtainly I tell you, one of you will betray me—he who eats with me."
- 19 **Th**ey began to be sorrowful, and to ask him one by one, "Surely not I?" And another said, "Surely not I?"
- 20 He answered **them**, "It is one of the twelve, he who dips with me in the dish.21 For the Son of Man goes, even as it is written about him, but woe to **th**at man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would be better for **th**at man if he had not been born."
- 22 As **th**ey were **e**ating, J**eşuş** t**ȯo**k bread, and when he had blesse**d**, he br**o**ke it, and g**a**ve to **th**em, and said, "Take, **e**at. **Th**is is m**y** body."
- 23 He took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave to them. They all drank of it. 24 He said to them, "This is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for many. 25 Most certainly I tell you, I will no more drink of the fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it anew in the kingdom of Elohim." 26 When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.
- 27 Jeşuş said to **th**em, "All of you will be made to stumble becauşe of me tonight, for it is written, 'I will strike the **she**pherd, and the **shee**p will be scattered. 28 However, äfter I am raişed up, I will go before you into Galilee."
- 29 But Peter said to him, "although all will be offended, yet I will not."
- 30 Jeşuş said to him, "Most çêrtainly I tell you, that you today, even this night, before the reester crows twice, you will deny me three times."
- 31 But he spoke **å**ll the m**o**re, "If I must die wi**th** you, I will not den**y** you." **Th**ey **å**ll said the same **th**ing.
- 32 **Th**ey came to a place which was named Gethsemane. He said to his disciples, "Sit here, while I pray." 33 He took with him Peter, James, and John, and began to be greatly troubled and distressed. 34 He said to them, "My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, even to death. Stay here, and watch."
- 35 He went forward a little, and fell on the ground, and prayed **th**at, if it were possible, the hour might pass away from him. 36 He said, "Abba, Fäther, all **th**ings are possible to you. Please remove **th**is cup from me. However, not what I desire, but what you desire."
- 37 He came and found them sleeping, and said to Peter, "Simon, are you sleeping? Coù/dn't you watch one hour? 38 Watch and pray, that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

39 Again he went away, and prayed, saying the same words. 40 Again he returned, and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy, and they didn't know what to answer him. 41 He came the third time, and said to them, "Sleep on now, and take your rest. It is enough. The hour has come. Behold, the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners, 42 Arise, let us be going. Behold, he who betrays me is at hand."

43 Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, came—and with him a multitude with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. 44 New he who betrayed him had given them a sign, saying, "Whomever I will kiss, that is he. Seize him, and lead him away safely." 45 When he had come, immediately he came to him, and said, "Rabbi! Rabbi!" and kissed him. 46 They laid their hands on him, and seized him. 47 But a certain one of those who stood by drew his sword, and struck the servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear.

48 Jeşuş answered them, "Have you come out, as against a robber, with swords and clubs to seize me? 49 I was daily with you in the temple teaching, and you didn't arrest me. But this is so that the Scriptureş might be fulfilled."

50 **Th**ey **å**ll left him, and fled. 51 A **çê**rtain young man followed him, having a linen clo**th th**rown around himself, over his naked body. The young men grabbed him, 52 but he left the linen clo**th**, and fled from **th**em naked. 53 **Th**ey led Jeşuş away to the high priest. **å**ll the **chief** priests, the elderş, and the scribeş came together with him.

54 Peter had followed him from a distance, until he came into the court of the high priest. He was sitting with the officers, and warming himself in the light of the fire. 55 New the chief priests and the whole council sought witnesses against Jesus to put him to death, and found none. 56 For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony didn't agree with each other. 57 Some stood up, and gave false testimony against him, saying, 58 "We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another made without hands.'" 59 Even so, their testimony did not agree.

60 The high priest stood up in the middle, and äsked Jeşuş, "Have you no answer? What is it which these testify against you?" 61 But he stayed quiet, and answered nothing. Again the high priest äsked him, "Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?"

62 Jesus said, "I am. You will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of the sky."

63 The high priest tore his clothes, and said, "What further need have we of witnesses? 64 You have heard the blasphemy! What do you think?" They all condemned him to be worthy of death. 65 Some began to spit on him, and to cover his face, and to beat him with fists, and to tell him, "Prophesy!" The officers struck him with the palms of their hands.

66 As Peter was in the courtyärd below, one of the maids of the high priest came, 67 and seeing Peter warming himself, she looked at him, and said, "You were also with the Nazarene, Jesus!"

68 But he denied it, saying, "I neither know, nor understand what you are saying." He went on the porch, and the rester crowed.

69 The maid saw him, and began again to tell **those** who stood by, "This is one of **them**." 70 But he again denied it. A little while again **those** who stood by said to Peter, "You truly are one of **them**, for you are a Galilean, and your speech shows it." 71 But he began to curse, and to swear, "I don't know this man of whom you speak!" 72 The rooster crowed the second time. Peter remembered the word, how that Jesus said to him, "Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times." When he thought about that, he wept.

Mark 15

Immediately in the morning the **chief** priests, with the elders and scribes, and the whole council, held a consultation, and bound Jesus, and carried him away, and delivered him up to Pilate. 2 Pilate äsked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?"

He answered, "So you say."

3 The **chie**f priests accuşed him of many **th**ings. 4 Pilate again **ä**ske**d** him, "Have you no answer? See how many **th**ings **th**ey testify against you!"

5 But Jeşuş made no fûrther answer, so that Pilate märveled.

6 New at the feast he used to release to them one prisoner, when they asked of him. 7 There was one called Barabbas, bound with his fellow insurgents, men when in the insurrection had committed murder. 8 The multitude, crying aloud, began to ask him to do as he always did for them. 9 Pilate answered them, saying, "Do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?" 10 For he perçeived that for envy the chief priests had delivered him up. 11 But the chief priests stirred up the multitude, that he should release Barabbas to them instead. 12 Pilate again asked them, "What then should I do to him whom you call the King of the Jews?"

13 They cried out again, "Crucify him!"

14 Pilate said to **th**em, "Why, what evil has he done?"

But they cried out exceedingly, "Crucify him!"

15 Pilate, wishing to please the multitude, released Barabbas to them, and handed over Jesus, when he had flogged him, to be crucified. 16 The soldiers led him away within the court, which is the Praetorium; and they called together the whole cohort. 17 They clothed him with purple, and weaving a crown of thorns, they put it on him.

- 18 They began to salute him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" 19 They struck his head with a reed, and spat on him, and bowing their knees, did homage to him. 20 When they had mocked him, they took the purple off of him, and put his own garments on him. They led him out to crucify him. 21 They compelled one passing by, coming from the country, Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to go with them, that he might bear his cross. 22 They brought him to the place called Golgotha, which is, being interpreted, "The place of a skull." 23 They offered him wine mixed with myrrh to drink, but he didn't take it.
- 24 Cruçifying him, they pärted his gärments among them, cästing lots on them, what each should take. 25 lt was the third hour, and they cruçified him. 26 The superscription of his accuşation was written over him, "THE KING OF The JEWS." 27 With him they crucified two robbers; one on his right hand, and one on his left. 28 The Scripture was fulfilled, which says, "He was numbered with transgressors."
- 29 **Those** who passed by blasphemed him, wagging their heads, and saying, "Ha! You who destroy the temple, and build it in three days, 30 save yourself, and come down from the cross!"
- 31 Likewişe, ålso the chief priests mocking among themselveş with the scribeş said, "He saved others. He can't save himself. 32 Let the Christ, the King of Işrael, now come down from the cross, that we may see and believe him." Those who were crucified with him ålso insulted him.
- 33 When the sixth hour had come, there was därkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. 34 At the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, läma sabachthäni?" which is, being interpreted, "My Elohim, my Elohim, Why have you forsaken me?"
- 35 Some of **those** who stood by, when **they** heard it, said, "Behold, he is calling Elijah."
- 36 One ran, and filling a sponge full of vinegar, put it on a reed, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Let him be. Let's see whether Elijah comes to take him down."
- 37 Jeşuş cried out with a loud voiçe, and gave up the spirit. 38 The veil of the temple was torn in two from the top to the bottom. 39 When the centurion, who stood by opposite him, saw that he cried out like this and breathed his läst, he said, "Truly this man was the Son of Elohim!"
- 40 **There** were **å**ls**o** women w**å**t**ch**ing from af**ä**r, am**o**ng wh**o**m were bo**th** Mary Magdalene, and Mary the m**o**ther of James the less and of Joses, and Salome; 41 wh**o**, when he was in Galilee, followed him, and s**ê**rved him; and many **o**ther women wh**o** came up with him to Jerusalem.

42 When evening had new come, because it was the Preparation Day, that is, the day before the Sabbath, 43 Joseph of Arimathaea, a prominent council member who also himself was looking for the kingdom of Elohim, came. He boldly went in to Pilate, and asked for Jesus' body. 44 Pilate marveled if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead long. 45 When he found out from the centurion, he granted the body to Joseph. 46 He bought a linen cloth, and taking him down, wound him in the linen cloth, and laid him in a temb which had been cut out of a rock. He rolled a stone against the door of the temb. 47 Mary Magdalene and Mary, the mother of Joses, saw where he was laid.'

Mark 16

When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, that they might come and anoint him. 2 Very early on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen. 3 They were saying among themselves, "Who will roll away the stone from the door of the tomb for us?" 4 for it was very big. Looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back.

5 Entering into the temb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were amazed. 6 He said to them, "Don't be amazed. You seek Jeşuş, the Nazarene, who has been crucified. He has risen. He is not here. Behold, the place where they laid him! 7 But go, tell his disciples and Peter, 'He goes before you into Galilee. There you will see him, as he said to you.'"

8 They went out, and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had come on them. They said nothing to anyone; for they were afraid. 9 Now when he had risen early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, from whom he had cast out seven demons. 10 She went and told those who had been with him, as they mourned and wept. 11 When they heard that he was alive, and had been seen by her, they disbelieved. 12 After these things he was revealed in another form to two of them, as they walked, on their way into the country. 13 They went away and told it to the rest. They didn't believe them, either.

14 Afterward he was revealed to the eleven themselves as they sat at the table, and he rebuked them for their unbelief and härdness of heärt, because they didn't believe those who had seen him after he had risen. 15 He said to them, "Go into all the world, and preach the Good News to the whole creation. 16 He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who disbelieves will be condemned.17 These signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new languages; 18 they will take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it will in no way hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."

19 So then Our Master (Jesus), after he had spoken to them, was received up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of **Elohim**. 20 They went out, and preached everywhere, the Our Master working with them, and confirming the word by the signs that followed. Amen.

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

Luke 1

Sinçe many have undertaken to set in order a narrative conçêrning those matters which have been fulfilled among us, 2 even as those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and servants of the word delivered them to us, 3 it seemed good to me also, having traced the course of all things accurately from the first, to write to you in order, most excellent Theophilus; 4 that you might know the certainty conçêrning the things in which you were instructed.

5 There was in the days of Herod, the king of Judea, a certain priest named Zacharias, of the priestly division of Abijah. He had a wife of the dåughters of Aaron, and her name was Elizabeth. 6 They were both righteous before Elohim, wå/king blamelessly in åll the commandments and ordinances of the YAHWEH. 7 But they had no child, because Elizabeth was barren, and they both were well advanced in years. 8 New while he executed the priest's office before Elohim in the order of his division, 9 according to the custom of the priest's office, his lot was to enter into the temple of YAHWEH and bûrn incense. 10 The whole multitude of the people were praying outside at the hour of incense.

11 An angel of YAHWEH appeared to him, standing on the right side of the altar of incense. 12 Zacharias was troubled when he saw him, and fear fell upon him. 13 But the angel said to him, "Don't be afraid, Zacharias, becauşe your request has been heard, and your wife, Elizabeth, will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John. 14 You will have joy and gladness; and many will rejoice at his bîrth. 15 For he will be great in the sight of YAHWEH, and he will drink no wine nor strong drink. He will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's wemb. 16 He will tûrn many of the children of Işrael to YAHWEH, their Elohim. 17 He will go before him in the spirit and power of Elijah, 'to tûrn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wişdom of the just; to prepare a people prepared for YAHWEH."

18 Zacharias said to the angel, "How can I be sure of this? For I am an old man, and my wife is well advanced in years."

19 The angel answered him, "I am Gabriel, who stands in the presence of **Elohim**. I was sent to speak to you, and to bring you **th**is good news. 20 Behold, you will be silent and not able to speak, until the day **th**at **these th**ings will happen, because you didn't believe my words, which will be fulfilled in **their** proper time."

21 The people were waiting for Zacharias, and they märveled that he delayed in the temple. 22 When he came out, he could not speak to them, and they pêrçeived that he had seen a vişion in the temple. He continued making signs to them, and remained mute. 23 When the days of his sêrviçe were fulfilled, he depärted to his house. 24 After these days Elizabeth, his wife, conçeived, and she hid hêrself five months, saying, 25 "Thus has YAHWEH done to me in the days in which he looked at me, to take away my reproach among men."

26 New in the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent from Elohim to a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, 27 to a virgin pledged to be married to a man where name was Joseph, of David's house. The virgin's name was Mary. 28 Having come in, the angel said to her, "Rejoice, you highly favored one! Our Master is with you. Blessed are you among women!"

29 But when she saw him, she was greatly troubled at the saying, and considered what kind of salutation this might be. 30 The angel said to her, "Don't be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with Elohim. 31 Behold, you will conceive in your wemb, and give birth to a son, and will call his name 'Jesus.' 32 He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High. The YAHWEH will give him the throne of his father, David, 33 and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever. There will be no end to his Kingdom." 34 Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, seeing I am a virgin?"

35 The angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore also the holy one who is born from you will be called the Son of Elohim. 36 Behold, Elizabeth, your relative, also has conceived a son in her old age; and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. 37 For nothing spoken by Elohim is impossible." 38 Mary said, "Behold, the servant of YAHWEH; let it be done to me according to your word."

The angel depärted from her. 39 Mary arose in those days and went into the hill country with haste, into a city of Judah, 40 and entered into the house of Zacharias and greeted Elizabeth. 41 When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. 42 She called out with a loud voice, and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! 43 Why am I so favored, that the mother of my Master should come to me? 44 For behold, when the voice of your greeting came into my ears, the baby leaped in my womb for joy! 45 Blessed is she who believed, for there will be a fulfillment of the things which have been spoken to her from YAHWEH!"

46 Mary said, "My soul magnifies **YAHWEH**.47 My spirit has rejoiced in **Elohim** my Savior,48 for he has looked at the humble state of his servant. For behold, from new on, all generations will call me blessed.49 For he whe is mighty has done great things for me. How is his name.

His mêrçy is for generations of generations on those who fear him.51 He has shown strength with his ärm. He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their heärts. 52 He has put down princes from their thrones. And has exalted the lowly. 53 He has filled the hungry with good things. He has sent the rich away empty.54 He has given help to Israel, his servant, that he might remember mêrçy,55 As he spoke to our fäthers, to Abraham and his offspring forever."

56 Mary stayed with her about three months, and then returned to her house. 57 Now the time that Elizabeth should give birth was fulfilled, and she gave birth to a son. 58 Her neighbors and her relatives heard that Elohim had magnified his mercy towards her, and they rejoiced with her. 59 On the eighth day, they came to circumcise the child; and they would have called him Zacharias, after the name of the father. 60 His mother answered, "Not so; but he will be called John."

61 They said to her, "There is no one among your relatives who is called by this name." 62 They made signs to his father, what he would have him called.

63 He äsked for a writing tablet, and wrote, "His name is John."

They all marveled. 64 His mouth was opened immediately, and his tongue freed, and he spoke, blessing Elohim. 65 Fear came on all who lived around them, and all these sayings were talked about throughout all the hill country of Judea. 66 All who heard them laid them up in their heart, saying, "What then will this child be?" The hand of the Lord was with him. 67 His father, Zacharias, was filled with the Holy Spirit, and prophesied, saying,

68 "Blessed be **YAHWEH**, the **Elohim** of Işrael, for he haş vişited and redeemed his people; 69 and haş raişed up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David 70 (as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets who have been from of old), 71 salvation from our enemies, and from the hand of all who hate us;72 to show mercy towards our fathers, to remember his holy covenant,73 the oath which he spoke to Abraham, our father,74 to grant to us that we, being delivered out of the hand of our enemies, should serve him without fear,75 In holiness and righteousness before him all the days of our life.76 And you, child, will be called a prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the face of **YAHWEH** to prepare his ways,77 to give knowledge of salvation to his people by the remission of their sins, 78 because of the tender mercy of our **Elohim**, whereby the down from on high will visit us,79 to shine on those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death; to guide our feet into the way of peace." 80 The child was growing, and becoming strong in spirit, and was in the desert until the day of his public appearance to Işrael.

Luke 2

Now in **those** days, a decree went out from Caesar Augustus **that all** the world should be enrolled. 2 **This** was the first enrollment made when **Qui**rinius

was governor of Syria. 3 All went to enroll **th**emselve**ş**, everyone to his own **c**ity. 4 Joseph **å**lso went up from Galilee, **o**ut of the **c**ity of Nazare**th**, into Judea, to David'**ş c**ity, whi**ch** is **cå**lled Be**th**lehem, bec**å**u**ş**e he was of the house and family of David; 5 to enroll himself wi**th** Mary, who was pled**g**ed to be married to him as wife, being pregnant.

6 While they were there, the day had come for her to give bîrth. 7 She gave bîrth to her fîrstborn son. She wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a feeding trough, because there was no reem for them in the inn. 8 There were shepherds in the same country staying in the field, and keeping watch by night over their flock. 9 Behold, an angel of Elohim stood by them, and the glory of YAHWEH shone around them, and they were terrified. 10 The angel said to them, "Don't be afraid, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be to all the people. 11 For there is born to you today, in David's city, a Savior, who is the Christ of YAHWEH. 12 This is the sign to you: you will find a baby wrapped in strips of cloth, lying in a feeding trough." 13 Suddenly, there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly ärmy praising Elohim, and saying,

14 "Glory to Elohim in the highest, on earth peace, good will toward men."

15 When the angels went away from them into the sky, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem, now, and see this thing that has happened, which YAHWEH has made known to us." 16 They came with haste, and found both Mary and Joseph, and the baby was lying in the feeding trough. 17 When they saw it, they publicized widely the saying which was spoken to them about this child. 18 All who heard it wondered at the things which were spoken to them by the shepherds. 19 But Mary kept all these sayings, pondering them in her heart. 20 The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising Elohim for all the things that they had heard and seen, just as it was told them.

- 21 When eight days were fulfilled for the cîrcumçişion of the child, his name was called Jeşuş, which was given by the angel before he was conçeived in the womb.
- 22 When the days of their purification according to the law of Moses were fulfilled, they brought him up to Jerusalem, to present him to the Lord 23 (as it is written in the Torah of YAHWEH, "Every male who opens the womb shall be called holy to YAHWEH"), 24 and to offer a sacrifice according to that which is said in the Torah of YAHWEH, "A pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons."
- 25 Behold, there was a man in Jeruşalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout, looking for the consolation of Işrael, and the Holy Spirit was on him. 26 It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Christ of YAHWEH. 27 He came in the Spirit into the temple. When the parents brought in the child, Jeşuş,

that they might de conçêrning him according to the custom in the Torah, 28 then he reçeived him into his ärms, and blessed Elohim, and said,

29 "Now you are releasing your servant, Mäster, according to your word, in peace; 30 for my eyes have seen your salvation, 31 which you have prepared before the face of all peoples; 32 a light for revelation to the nations, and the glory of your people Israel."

33 Joseph and his mother were märveling at the things which were spoken concerning him, 34 and Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary, his mother, "Behold, this child is set for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and for a sign which is spoken against. 35 Yes, a sword will pierce through your own soul, that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."

36 **There** was one Anna, a prophetess, the dåughter of **Phanuel**, of the tribe of Asher (she was of a great age, having lived with a husband seven years from her vîrginity, 37 and she had been a widow for about eighty-four years), who didn't depart from the temple, worshiping with fastings and petitions night and day. 38 Coming up at that very hour, she gave thanks to **YAHWEH**, and spoke of him to all those who were looking for redemption in Jerusalem.

39 When they had accomplished all things that were according to the Torah of YAHWEH, they returned into Galilee, to their own city, Nazareth. 40 The child was growing, and was becoming strong in spirit, being filled with wisdom, and the grace of Elohim was upon him. 41 His parents went every year to Jerusalem at the feast of the Pässover.

42 When he was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem according to the custom of the feast, 43 and when they had fulfilled the days, as they were retûrning, the boy Jeşuş stayed behind in Jeruşalem. Joseph and his mother didn't know it, 44 but supposing him to be in the company, they went a day's ioûrnev. and thev looked for him am**o**ng their relatives acquaintançes. 45 When they didn't find him, they returned to Jerusalem, looking for him. 46 After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the middle of the teachers, both listening to them, and asking them questions. 47 All who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. 48 When they saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Son, Why have you treated us this way? Behold, your father and I were anxiously looking for you."

49 He said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Didn't you know that I must be in my Fäther's house?" 50 They didn't understand the saying which he spoke to them. 51 And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth. He was subject to them, and his mother kept all these sayings in her heärt. 52 And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with Elohim and men.

Luke 3

Now in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caeşar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod being teträrch of Galilee, and his brother Philip teträrch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias teträrch of Abilene, 2 in the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of Elohim came to John, the son of Zacharias, in the wilderness. 3 He came into all the region around the Jordan, preaching the baptism of repentance for remission of sins. 4 As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet:

"The voice of one crying in the wilderness, 'Make ready the way of YAHWEH. Make his päths straight.5 Every valley will be filled. Every mountain and hill will be brought low. The crooked will become straight, and the rough ways smooth. 6 All flesh will see God's salvation.'" The said therefore to the multitudes who went out to be baptized by him, "You offspring of vipers, who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? 8 Therefore produce fruits worthy of repentance, and don't begin to say among yourselves, 'We have Abraham for our father; for I tell you that Elohim is able to raise up children to Abraham from these stones! 9 Even now the ax also lies at the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that doesn't produce good fruit is cut down, and thrown into the fire."

- 10 The multitudeş äsked him, "What then must we de?"
- 11 He answered **th**em, "He who has two coats, let him give to him who has none. He who has food, let him do likewise."
- 12 Tax collectorş ålso came to be baptized, and they said to him, "Teacher, what must we de?"
- 13 He said to them, "Collect no more than that which is appointed to you."
- 14 Soldierş ålso äsked him, saying, "What about us? What must we do?"

He said to them, "Extort from no one by violence, neither accuse anyone wrongfully. Be content with your wages."

- 15 As the people were in expectation, and all men reasoned in their hearts conçerning John, whether perhaps he was the Christ, 16 John answered them all, "I indeed baptize you with water, but he comes who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to loosen. He will baptize you in the Holy Spirit and fire, 17 whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly cleanse his threshing floor, and will gather the wheat into his barn; but he will bûrn up the chaff with unquenchable fire."
- 18 Then with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people, 19 but Herod the teträrch, being reproved by him for Herodias, his brother's wife, and for all the evil things which Herod had done,

20 added this also to them all, that he shut up John in prison. 21 New when all the people were baptized, Jesus also had been baptized, and was praying. The sky was opened, 22 and the Holy Spirit descended in a bodily form like a dove on him; and a voice came out of the sky, saying "You are my beloved Son. In you I am well pleased."

23 Jesus himself, when he began to teach, was about thirty years old, being the son (as was supposed) of Joseph, the son of Heli, 24 the son of Matthat, the son of Levi, the son of Melchi, the son of Jannai, the son of Joseph, 25 the son of Mattathias, the son of Amos, the son of Nahum, the son of Esli, the son of Naggai, 26 the son of Maath, the son of Mattathias, the son of Semein, the son of Joseph, the son of Judah, 27 the son of Joanan, the son of Rhesa, the son of Zerubbabel, the son of **She**altiel, the son of Neri, 28 the son of Melchi, the son of Addi, the son of Cosam, the son of Elmodam, the son of Er, 29 the son of Jose, the son of Eliezer, the son of Jorim, the son of Matthat, the son of Levi, 30 the son of Simeon, the son of Judah, the son of Joseph, the son of Jonan, the son of Eliakim, 31 the son of Melea, the son of Menan, the son of Mattatha, the son of Nathan, the son of David, 32 the son of Jesse, the son of Obed, the son of Boaz, the son of Samon, the son of Nahshon, 33 the son of Amminadab, the son of Aram, the son of Hezron, the son of Perez, the son of Judah, 34 the son of Jacob, the son of Isaac, the son of Abraham, the son of Terah, the son of Nahor, 35 the son of Serug, the son of Reu, the son of Peleg, the son of Eber, the son of Shelah, 36 the son of Cainan, the son of Arphaxad, the son of Shem, the son of Noah, the son of Lamech, 37 the son of Methuşelah, the son of Enoch, the son of Jared, the son of Mahalaleel, the son of Cainan, 38 the son of Enos, the son of Seth, the son of Adam, the son of God.

Luke 4

Jeşuş, full of the Holy Spirit, retûrned from the Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness 2 for forty days, being tempted by the devil. He ate nothing in those days, äfterward, when they were completed, he was hungry. 3 The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of Elohim, command this stone to become bread."

4 Jesus answered him, saying, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of **Elohim**.'"

5 The devil, leading him up on a high mountain, showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. 6 The devil said to him, "I will give you all this authority, and their glory, for it has been delivered to me; and I give it to whomever I want. 7 If you therefore will worship before me, it will all be yours."

8 Jeşuş answered him, "Get behind me Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship YAHWEY your Elohim, and you shall serve him only."

9 He led him to Jer**uş**alem, and set him on the pinnacle of the temple, and said to him, "If you are the Son of **Elohim**, cast yourself down from here, 10 for it is written,

'He will put his angels in charge of you, to guard you;

- 11 and, 'On **th**eir hand**ş th**ey will bear you up, lest p**ê**rhaps you dash y**ô**ur f**o**ot ag**a**inst a st**o**ne.'"
- 12 Jeşuş answering, said to him, "It haş been said, 'You shall not tempt YAHWEH your Elohim.'"
- 13 When the devil had completed every temptation, he departed from him until another time.
- 14 Jeşuş retûrned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee, and newş about him spread through all the surrounding area. 15 He taught in their synagogueş, being glorified by all.
- 16 He came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. He entered, as was his custom, into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read. 17 The book of the prophet Işaiah was handed to him. He opened the book, and found the place where it was written,
- 18 "The Spirit of YAHWEH is on me, becauşe he haş anointed me to preach good newş to the poor. He has sent me to heal the broken hearted, to proclaim release to the captives, recovering of sight to the blind, to deliver those whe are crushed, 19 and to proclaim the acceptable year of YAHWEH."
- 20 He cloşed the book, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyeş of all in the synagogue were fästened on him. 21 He began to tell **th**em, "Today, **th**is Scripture has been fülfilled in your hearing."
- 22 All testified about him, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth, and they said, "Isn't this Joseph's son?"
- 23 He said to them, "Doubtless you wil tell me this parable, 'Physician, heal yourself! Whatever we have heard done at Capernaum, de also here in your hometown.'" 24 He said, "Most certainly I tell you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown. 25 But truly I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the sky was shut up three years and six months, when a great famine came over all the land. 26 Elijah was sent to none of them, except to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. 27 There were many lepers in Israel in the time of Elisha the prophet, yet not one of them was cleansed, except Naaman, the Syrian."
- 28 **Th**ey were **å**ll filled wi**th** wrä**th** in the synagogue, as **th**ey h**ê**ard **the**şe **th**ingş. 29 **Th**ey roşe up, **th**rew him **o**ut of the **c**ity, and led him to the brow of the hill **th**at **th**eir **c**ity was built on, **th**at **th**ey m**i**ght **th**row him off the cliff. 30 But he, p**ä**ssing **th**rough the middle of **th**em, went his way.

31 He came down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee. He was teaching them on the Sabbath day, 32 and they were astonished at his teaching, for his word was with authority. 33 In the synagogue there was a man who had a spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a loud voice, 34 saying, "Ah! what have we to do with you, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know you who you are: the Holy One of Elohim!"

35 Jeşuş rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" When the demon had thrown him down in the middle of them, he came out of him, having done him no harm.

36 Amazement came on all, and they spoke together, one with another, saying, "What is this word? For with authority and power he commands the unclean spirits, and they come out!" 37 News about him went out into every place of the surrounding region.

38 He rose up from the synagogue, and entered into Simon'shouse. Simon's mother-in-låw was afflicted with a great fever, and they begged him for her. 39 He stood over her, and rebuked the fever; and it left her. Immediately she rose up and served them. 40 When the sun was setting, all those who had any sick with various diseases brought them to him; and he laid his hands on every one of them, and healed them. 41 Demons also came out of many, crying out, and saying, "You are the Christ, the Son of Elohim!" Rebuking them, he didn't allow them to speak, because they knew that he was the Christ.

42 When it was day, he depärted and went into an uninhabited plaçe, and the multitudes looked for him, and came to him, and held on to him, so that he wouldn't go away from them. 43 But he said to them, "I must preach the good news of Elohim's Kingdom to the other cities also. For this reason I have been sent." 44 He was preaching in the synagogues of Galilee.

Luke 5

Now while the multitude pressed on him and heard the word of **Elohim**, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret. 2 He saw two boats standing by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them, and were washing their nets. 3 He entered into one of the boats, which was Simon's, and asked him to put out a little from the land. He sat down and taught the multitudes from the boat. 4 When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep, and let down your nets for a catch."

5 Simon answered him, "Master, we worked all night, and took nothing; but at your word I will let down the net." 6 When they had done this, they caught a great multitude of fish, and their net was breaking. 7 They beckoned to their partners in the other boat, that they should come and help them. They came, and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. 8 But Simon Peter, when he saw it, fell down at Jeşuş' kneeş, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, Lord." 9 For he was amazed, and all who were with him, at the catch

of fish which they had caught; 10 and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon.

Jeşuş said to Simon, "Don't be afraid. From now on you will be catching people alive."

11 When they had brought their boats to land, they left everything, and followed him. 12 While he was in one of the cities, behold, there was a man full of leprosy. When he saw Jesus, he fell on his face, and begged him, saying, "My Master, if you want to, you can make me clean."

13 He stretched out his hand, and touched him, saying, "I want to. Be made clean."

Immediately the leprosy left him. 14 He commanded him to tell no one, "But go your way, and show yourself to the priest, and offer for your cleansing according to what Moses commanded, for a testimony to them." 15 But the report concerning him spread much more, and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by him of their infirmities. 16 But he withdrew himself into the desert, and prayed.

17 On one of **those** days, he was **teaching**; and **there** were **Pharisees** and **teachers** of the law sitting by, whe had come out of every village of Galilee, Judea, and Jerusalem. The power of **YAHWEH** was with him to heal **them**. 18 Behold, men brought a paralyzed man on a cot, and **they** sought to bring him in to lay before Jesus. 19 Not finding a way to bring him in because of the multitude, **they** went up to the housetop, and let him down **th**rough the tiles with his cot into the middle before Jesus. 20 Seeing **their** faith, he said to him, "Man, your sins are forgiven you."

21 The scribes and the **Ph**arisees began to reason, saying, "Who is this that speaks blasphemies? Who can forgive sins, but **Elohim** alone?"

22 But Jeşuş, pêrçeiving their thoughts, answered them, "Why are you reasoning so in your hearts? 23 Which is easier to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you; or to say, 'Arişe and wak?' 24 But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins" (he said to the paralyzed man), "I tell you, arişe, and take up your cot, and go to your house."

25 Immediately he rose up beföre them, and took up that which he was laying on, and depärted to his house, glörifying Elohim. 26 Amazement took hold on all, and they glörified Elohim. They were filled with fear, saying, "We have seen strange things today."

27 After **these th**ings he went **o**ut, and saw a tax collector named Levi sitting at the tax office, and said to him, "Follow me!"

28 He left everything, and rose up and followed him.

29 Levi made a great feast for him in his house. There was a great crowd of tax collectors and others who were reclining with them. 30 Their scribes and the Pharisees murmured against his disciples, saying, "Why do you eat and drink with the tax collectors and sinners?" 31 Jesus answered them, "Those who are healthy have no need for a physician, but those who are sick do. 32 I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."

33 They said to him, "Why de John's disciples often fäst and pray, likewise ålso the disciples of the Pharisees, but yours eat and drink?"

34 He said to them, "Can you make the friends of the bridegreem fäst, while the bridegreem is with them? 35 But the days will come when the bridegreem will be taken away from them. Then they will fäst in those days." 36 He ålso told a parable to them. "No one puts a piece from a new gärment on an old gärment, or else he will tear the new, and ålso the piece from the new will not match the old. 37 No one puts new wine into old wine skins, or else the new wine will bûrst the skins, and it will be spilled, and the skins will be destroyed. 38 But new wine must be put into fresh wine skins, and both are preserved. 39 No man having drunk old wine immediately desires new, for he says, 'The old is better.'"

Luke 6

Now on the second Sabbath after the first, he was going through the grain fields. His disciples plucked the heads of grain and ate, rubbing them in their hands. 2 But some of the Pharisees said to them, "Why do you do that which is not lawful to do on the Sabbath day?"

3 Jeşuş, answering them, said, "Haven't you read what David did when he was hungry, he, and those who were with him; 4 how he entered into Elohim's house, and took and ate the bread on the table of YAHWEH, and gave also to those who were with him, which is not lawful to eat except for the priests alone?" 5 He said to them, "The Son of Man is Master of the Sabbath."

6 It also happened on another Sabbath that he entered into the synagogue and taught. There was a man there, and his right hand was withered. 7 The scribes and the Pharisees watched him, to see whether he would heal on the Sabbath, that they might find an accusation against him. 8 But he knew their thoughts; and he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Rise up, and stand in the middle." He arose and stood. 9 Then Jesus said to them, "I will ask you something: Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good, or to do harm? To save a life, or to kill?" 10 He looked around at them all, and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He did, and his hand was restored as sound as the other. 11 But they were filled with rage, and talked with one another about what they might do to Jesus.

12 In these days, he went out to the mountain to pray, and he continued all night in prayer to **Elohim**. 13 When it was day, he called his disciples, and from them he chose twelve, whom he also named apostle: 14 Simon, whom he also Peter: Andrew, his br**oth**er: James: John; named Bärtholomew; 15 Matthew; Thomas; James, the son of Alphaeus; Simon, who was called the Zealot; 16 Judas the son of James; and Judas Iscariot, who also became a traitor. 17 He came down with them, and stood on a level place, with a crowd of his disciples, and a great number of the people from all Judea and Jerusalem, and the sea coast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; 18 as well as those who were troubled by unclean spirits, and they were being healed. 19 All the multitude sought to touch him, for power came out of him and healed them all.

20 He lifted up his eyeş to his disciples, and said,

"Blessed are you who are poor, The kingdom of heaven is yours.21 Blessed are you who hunger now, for you will be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will läugh. 22 Blessed are you when men shall hate you, and when they shall exclude and mock you, and throw out your name as evil, for the Son of Man's sake. 23 Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven, for their fäthers did the same thing to the prophets.

24 "But woe to you who are rich! For you have received your consolation. 25 Woe to you, you who are full now, for you will be hungry. Woe to you who läugh now, for you will mourn and weep.26 Woe, when men speak well of you, for their fathers did the same thing to the false prophets.

27 "But I tell you who hear: love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, 28 bless those who curse you, and pray for those who mistreat you. 29 To him who strikes you on the cheek, offer also the other; and from him who takes away your cloak, don't withhold your coat also. 30 Give to everyone who asks you, and don't ask him who takes away your goods to give them back again.

31 "As you woù/d like people to de to you, de exactly so to them. 32 If you love those whe love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those whe love them. 33 If you de good to those whe de good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners de the same. 34 If you lend to those from whem you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive back as much. 35 But love your enemies, and de good, and lend, expecting nothing back; and your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind toward the unthankful and evil.

36 "Therefore be mêrciful, even as your Fäther is also mêrciful.37 Don't judge, and you won't be judged. Don't condemn, and you won't be condemned. Set free, and you will be set free.

38 "Give, and it will be given to you: good meaşure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be given to you. For with the same measure you measure it will be measured back to you."

39 He spoke a parable to them. "Can the blind guide the blind? Won't they both fall into a pit? 40 A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher. 41 Why de you see the speck of chaff that is in your brother's eye, but don't consider the beam that is in your own eye? 42 Or how can you tell your brother, 'Brother, let me remove the speck of chaff that is in your eye, when you yourself don't see the beam that is in your own eye? You hypocrite! First remove the beam from your own eye, and then you can see clearly to remove the speck of chaff that is in your brother's eye. 43 For there is no good tree that produces rotten fruit; nor bagain a rotten tree that produces good fruit. 44 For each tree is known by its own fruit. For people don't gather figs from thorns, nor de they gather grapes from a bramble bush. 45 The good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings out that which is good, and the evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings out that which is evil, for out of the abundance of the heart, his mouth speaks.

46 "Why de you call me, 'MyMaster, My Master, and don't de the things which I say?47 Everyone whe comes to me, and hears my words, and does them, I will show you whe he is like. 48 He is like a man building a house, whe dug and went deep, and laid a foundation on the rock. When a flood arose, the stream broke against that house, and could not shake it, because it was founded on the rock. 49 But he whe hears, and doesn't de, is like a man whe built a house on the earth without a foundation, against which the stream broke, and immediately it fell, and the ruin of that house was great."

Luke 7

After he had finished speaking in the hearing of the people, he entered into Capernaum. 2 A çêrtain çenturion'ş sêrvant, who was dear to him, was sick and at the point of death. 3 When he hêard about Jeşuş, he sent to him elderş of the Jewş, äsking him to come and save his sêrvant. 4 When they came to Jeşuş, they begged him êarnestly, saying, "He is worthy for you to de this for him, 5 for he loveş our nation, and he built our synagogue for us." 6 Jeşuş went with them. When he was now not fär from the houşe, the centurion sent friends to him, saying to him, "My Master, don't trouble yourself, for I am not worthy for you to come under my roof. 7 Therefore I didn't even think myself worthy to come to you; but say the word, and my sêrvant will be healed. 8 For I also am a man placed under authority, having under myself soldierş. I tell this one, 'Go! and he goeş; and to another, 'Come! and he comeş; and to my sêrvant, 'Do this, and he doeş it."

9 When Jeşuş hêard theşe things, he märveled at him, and tûrned and said to the multitude who followed him, "I tell you, I have not found such great faith, no, not in Işrael." 10 Thoşe who were sent, retûrning to the houşe, found that the sêrvant who had been sick was well.

11 Seen äfterwards, he went to a city called Nain. Many of his disciples, along with a great multitude, went with him. 12 New when he came near to the gate of the city, behold, one whe was dead was carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. Many people of the city were with her. 13 When Jesus saw her, he had compassion on her, and said to her, "Don't cry." 14 He came near and touched the coffin, and the bearers stood still. He said, "Young man, I tell you, arise!" 15 He whe was dead sat up, and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother.

16 Fear took hold of all, and they glorified Elohim, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and, "Elohim has visited his people!" 17 This report went out concerning him in the whole of Judea, and in all the surrounding region.

18 The disciples of John told him about all these things. 19 John, calling to himself two of his disciples, sent them to Jesus, saying, "Are you the one who is coming, or shou'd we look for another?" 20 When the men had come to him, they said, "John the Baptizer has sent us to you, saying, 'Are you he who comes, or shou'd we look for another?"

21 In that hour he cured many of diseases and plagues and evil spirits; and to many who were blind he gave sight. 22 Jesus answered them, "Go and tell John the things which you have seen and heard: that the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have good news preached to them. 23 Blessed is he who finds no occasion for stumbling in me."

24 When John's messengers had depärted, he began to tell the multitudes about John, "What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken by the wind? 25 But what did you go out to see? A man clothed in soft clothing? Behold, those who are gorgeously dressed, and live delicately, are in kings' courts. 26 But what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and much more than a prophet. 27 This is he of whom it is written,

'Behold, I send my messenger beföre your face, who will prepare your way beföre you.

28 "For I tell you, among **those** who are born of women **there** is not a greater prophet **th**an John the Baptizer, yet he who is least in the Kingdom of **Elohim** is greater **th**an he."

29 When all the people and the tax collectors heard this, they declared Elohim to be just, having been baptized with John's baptism. 30 But the Pharisees and the lawyers rejected the counsel of Elohim, not being baptized by him themselves.

31 "To what then will I liken the people of this generation? What are they like? 32 They are like children who sit in the marketplace, and call to one another, saying, 'We piped to you, and you didn't dance. We mourned, and you didn't weep.' 33 For John the Baptizer came neither eating bread nor drinking wine, and

you say, 'He haş a demon.' 34 The Son of Man haş come eating and drinking, and you say, 'Behold, a gluttonous man, and a drunkard; a friend of tax collectorş and sinnerş!' 35 Wişdom is justified by âll her children."

36 One of the **Ph**aris**ee**ş invited him to **e**at wi**th** him. He entered into the **Ph**aris**ee**'ş h**e**uşe, and sat at the table. 37 Behold, a woman in the **c**ity who was a sinner, when she knew **th**at he was reclining in the **Ph**aris**ee**'ş h**e**uşe, she brought an alabaster jär of ointment. 38 Standing behind at his feet weeping, she began to wet his feet wi**th** her tears, and she wiped them with the hair of her head, kissed his feet, and anointed them with the ointment. 39 Now when the **Ph**aris**ee** who had invited him saw it, he said to himself, "**Th**is man, if he were a prophet, would have pêrceived who and what kind of woman this is who touches him, that she is a sinner."

40 Jeşuş answered him, "Simon, I have something to tell you."

He said, "Teacher, say on."

41 "A çêrtain lender had two debtors. The one owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. 42 When they couldn't pay, he forgave them both. Which of them therefore will love him most?"

43 Simon answered, "He, I suppose, to whom he forgave the most."

He said to him, "You have judged correctly." 44 Tûrning to the woman, he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered into your house, and you gave me no water for my feet, but she has wet my feet with her tears, and wiped them with the hair of her head. 45 You gave me no kiss, but she, since the time I came in, has not ceased to kiss my feet. 46 You didn't anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with oint-ment. 47 Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much. But to whem little is forgiven, the same loves little." 48 He said to her, "Your sins are forgiven."

49 **Those** who sat at the table with him began to say to themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?"

50 He said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you. Go in peace."

Luke 8

Seen äfterwards, he went about through cities and villages, preaching and bringing the good news of the Kingdom of Elohim. With him were the twelve, 2 and cêrtain women who had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary who was called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out; 3 and Joanna, the wife of Chuzas, Herod's steward; Susanna; and many others; who served them from their possessions. 4 When a great multitude came together, and people from every city were coming to him, he spoke by a parable.

5 "The färmer went out to sow his seed. As he sowed, some fell along the road, and it was trampled under fööt, and the birds of the sky devoured it. 6 Other seed fell on the rock, and as seen as it grew, it withered away, because it had no moisture. 7 Other fell amid the thorns, and the thorns grew with it, and choked it. 8 Other fell into the good ground, and grew, and produced one hundred times as much fruit." As he said these things, he called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

9 Then his disciples äsked him, "What does this parable mean?"

10 He said, "To you it is given to know the mysteries of the Kingdom of Elohim, but to the rest in parables; that 'seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. 11 Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of Elohim. 12 Those along the road are those who hear, then the devil comes, and takes away the word from their heart, that they may not believe and be saved. 13 Those on the rock are they who, when they hear, receive the word with joy; but these have no root, who believe for a while, then fall away in time of temptation. 14 That which fell among the thorns, these are those who have heard, and as they go on their way they are choked with cares, riches, and pleasures of life, and bring no fruit to maturity. 15 That in the good ground, these are such as in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, hold it tightly, and produces fruit with patience.

16 "No one, when he has lit a lamp, covers it with a container, or puts it under a bed; but puts it on a stand, that those who enter in may see the light. 17 For nothing is hidden, that will not be revealed; nor anything secret, that will not be known and come to light. 18 Be careful therefore how you hear. For whoever has, to him will be given; and whoever doesn't have, from him will be taken away even that which he thinks he has."

19 His mother and brothers came to him, and they could not come near him for the crowd. 20 Some people told him, "Your mother and your brothers stand outside, desiring to see you."

21 But he answered them, "My mother and my brothers are these who hear the word of Elohim, and do it."

22 New on one of those days, he entered into a boat, himself and his disciples, and he said to them, "Let's go over to the other side of the lake." So they launched out. 23 But as they sailed, he fell asleep. A wind storm came down on the lake, and they were taking on dangerous amounts of water. 24 They came to him, and awoke him, saying, "Mäster, mäster, we are dying!" He awoke, and rebuked the wind and the raging of the water, and they ceased, and it was cam. 25 He said to them, "Where is your faith?" Being afraid they märveled, saying to one another, "Who is this, then, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?" 26 They arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, which is opposite Galilee.

27 When Jeşuş stepped ashore, a çêrtain man out of the çity who had demonş for a long time met him. He wore no clotheş, and didn't live in a houşe, but in the tombs. 28 When he saw Jeşuş, he cried out, and fell down before him, and with a loud voiçe said, "What do I have to do with you, Jeşuş, you Son of the Most High Elohim? I beg you, don't torment me!" 29 For Jeşuş was commanding the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For the unclean spirit had often seized the man. He was kept under guard, and bound with chains and fetters. Breaking the bands apart, he was driven by the demon into the desert.

30 Jeşuş äsked him, "What is your name?"

that he would not command them to go into the abyss. 32 New there was there a herd of many pigs feeding on the mountain, and they begged him that he would allow them to enter into those. He allowed them. 33 The demons came out of the man, and entered into the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake, and were drowned. 34 When those who fed them saw what had happened, they fled, and told it in the city and in the country.

35 People went out to see what had happened. They came to Jeşuş, and found the man from whom the demons had gone out, sitting at Jeşuş' feet, clothed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. 36 Those who saw it told them how he who had been possessed by demons was healed. 37 All the people of the surrounding country of the Gadarenes äsked him to depart from them, for they were very much afraid. He entered into the boat, and returned. 38 But the man from whom the demons had gone out begged him that he might go with him, but Jeşuş sent him away, saying, 39 "Return to your house, and declare what great things Elohim has done for you." He went his way, proclaiming throughout the whole city what great things Jeşuş had done for him.

40 When Jeşuş retûrned, the multitude welcomed him, for they were all waiting for him. 41 Behold, there came a man named Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue. He fell down at Jesus' feet, and begged him to come into his house, 42 for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. But as he went, the multitudes pressed against him. 43 A woman who had a flow of blood for twelve years, who had spent all her living on physicians, and could not be healed by any, 44 came behind him, and touched the fringe of his cloak, and immediately the flow of her blood stopped. 45 Jeşuş said, "Who touched me?"

When **å**ll den**i**ed it, P**e**ter and **thoş**e wi**th** him said, "M**ä**ster, the multit**u**de**ş** press and jostle you, and you say, 'Who touched me?'"

46 But Jeşuş said, "Someone did touch me, for I pêrçeived that power has gone out of me." 47 When the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared to him in the presence of all the people the reason why she had touched him, and how she was healed

immediately. 48 He said to her, "Dåughter, cheer up. Your faith has made you well. Go in peace."

49 While he still spoke, one from the ruler of the synagogue's house came, saying to him, "Your daughter is dead. Don't trouble the Teacher."

50 But Jeşuş hearing it, answered him, "Don't be afraid. Only believe, and she will be healed."

51 When he came to the house, he didn't allow anyone to enter in, except Peter, John, James, the fäther of the child, and her mother. 52 åll were weeping and mourning her, but he said, "Don't weep. She isn't dead, but sleeping."

53 **Th**ey were ridiculing him, knowing **th**at she was dead. 54 But he put **th**em all outside, and taking her by the hand, he called, saying, "**Child**, arişe!" 55 Her spirit returned, and she rose up immediately. He commanded **th**at something be given to her to **e**at. 56 Her parents were amazed, but he commanded **th**em to tell no one what had been done.

Luke 9

He called the twelve together, and gave them power and authority over all demons, and to cure diseases. 2 He sent them out to preach the Kingdom of Elohim and to heal the sick. 3 He said to them, "Take nothing for your journey—neither staffs, nor wallet, nor bread, nor money; neither have two coats apiece. 4 Into whatever house you enter, stay there, and depart from there. 5 As many as don't receive you, when you depart from that city, shake off even the dust from your feet for a testimony against them."

6 They depärted, and went throughout the villages, preaching the Good News, and healing everywhere. 7 Now Herod the teträrch heard of all that was done by him; and he was very perplexed, because it was said by some that John had risen from the dead, 8 and by some that Elijah had appeared, and by others that one of the old prophets had risen again. 9 Herod said, "John I beheaded, but who is this, about whom I hear such things?" He sought to see him. 10 The apostles, when they had returned, told him what things they had done.

He took them, and withdrew apart to a deserted place of a city called Bethsaida. 11 But the multitudes, perceiving it, followed him. He welcomed them, and spoke to them of the Kingdom of Elohim, and he cured those who needed healing. 12 The day began to wear away; and the twelve came, and said to him, "Send the multitude away, that they may go into the surrounding villages and farms, and lodge, and get food, for we are here in a deserted place."

13 But he said to them, "You give them something to eat."

They said, "We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we should go and buy food for all these people." 14 For they were about five thousand men.

He said to his disciples, "Make them sit down in groups of about fifty each." 15 They did so, and made them all sit down. 16 He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to the sky, he blessed them, and broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the multitude. 17 They ate, and were all filled. They gathered up twelve baskets of broken pieces that were left over.

18 As he was praying alone, the disciples were with him, and he äsked them, "Who do the multitudes say that I am?"

19 **Th**ey answered, "'John the Baptizer, but **others** say, 'Elijah, and **others**, **th**at one of the **o**ld prophets is risen again."

20 He said to **th**em, "But whe de you say **th**at I am?"

Peter answered, "The Christ of Elohim."

21 But he warned **th**em, and commanded **th**em to tell **th**is to no one, 22 saying, "The Son of Man must suffer many **th**ings, and be rejected by the elders, **chief** priests, and scribes, and be killed, and the **th**ird day be raised up."

23 He said to all, "If anyone desires to come after me, let him deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. 24 For wheever desires to save his life will lese it, but wheever will lese his life for my sake, the same will save it. 25 For what does it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and leses or forfeits his own self?26 For wheever will be ashamed of me and of my words, of him will the Son of Man be ashamed, when he comes in his glory, and the glory of the Fäther, and of the holy angels. 27 But I tell you the truth: There are some of those whe stand here, whe will in no way taste of death, until they see the Kingdom of Elohim."

28 About eight days after **these** sayings, he took with him Peter, John, and James, and went up onto the mountain to pray. 29 As he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became white and dazzling. 30 Behold, two men were taking with him, who were Moses and Elijah, 31 who appeared in glory, and spoke of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem.

32 Now Peter and those who were with him were heavy with sleep, but when they were fully awake, they saw his glory, and the two men who stood with him. 33 As they were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Mäster, it is good for us to be here. Let's make three tents: one for you, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah," not knowing what he said.

34 While he said these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered into the cloud. 35 A voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him!" 36 When the voice came, Jesus was found alone. They were silent, and told no one in those days any of the things which they had seen.

37 On the next day, when **th**ey had come down from the mountain, a great multitude met him. 38 Behold, a man from the crowd called out, saying, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son, for he is my only child. 39 Behold, a spirit takes him, he suddenly cries out, and it convulses him so **th**at he foams, and it hardly departs from him, bruising him severely. 40 I begged your disciples to cast it out, and **th**ey couldn't."

41 Jeşuş answered, "Faithless and pervêrse generation, how long shall I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here."

42 While he was still coming, the demon threw him down and convulsed him violently. But Jeşuş rebuked the unclean spirit, and healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. 43 They were all astonished at the majesty of Elohim.

But while all were marveling at all the things which Jesus did, he said to his disciples, 44 "Let these words sink into your ears, for the Son of Man will be delivered up into the hands of men." 45 But they didn't understand this saying. It was concealed from them, that they should not perceive it, and they were afraid to ask him about this saying.

46 There arose an ärgument among them about which of them was the greatest. 47 Jesus, perçeiving the reasoning of their heärts, took a little child, and set him by his side, 48 and said to them, "Whoever receives this little child in my name receives me. Whoever receives me receives him who sent me. For whoever is least among you all, this one will be great."

49 John answered, "Mäster, we såw someone cästing out demons in your name, and we forbade him, becåuse he doesn't follow with us."

50 Jeşuş said to him, "Don't forbid him, for he who is not against us is for us."

51 It came to pass, when the days were near that he should be taken up, he intently set his face to go to Jeruşalem, 52 and sent messengers before his face. They went, and entered into a village of the Samaritans, so as to prepare for him. 53 They didn't receive him, because he was traveling with his face set towards Jeruşalem. 54 When his disciples, James and John, saw this, they said, "Our Master, de you want us to command fire to come down from the sky, and destroy them, just as Elijah did?"

55 But he tûrned and rebuked them, "You don't know of what kind of spirit you are. 56 For the Son of Man didn't come to destroy men's lives, but to save them."

They went to another village. 57 As they went on the way, a certain man said to him, "I want to follow you wherever you go, my Master."

58 Jeşuş said to him, "The foxeş have holeş, and the bîrdş of the sky have nests, but the Son of Man haş no plaçe to lay his head."

59 He said to another, "Follow me!"

But he said, "My Master, allow me first to go and bury my fäther."

60 But Jeşuş said to him, "Leave the dead to bury their own dead, but you go and announce the Kingdom of Elohim."

61 An**oth**er **å**ls**o** said, "I w**å**nt to follow you, my Master, but f**î**rst all**o**w me to s**a**y good-bye to **thos**e who are at my house."

62 But Jeşuş said to him, "No one, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the Kingdom of **Elohim**."

Luke 10

Now after these things, Jesus also appointed seventy others, and sent them two by two ahead of him into every city and place, where he was about to come. 2 Then he said to them, "The harvest is indeed plentiful, but the laborers are few. Pray therefore to the Master of the harvest, that he may send out laborers into his härvest. 3 Go your ways. Behold, I send you out as lambs among wolves. 4 Carry no pûrse, nor wallet, nor sandals. Greet no one on the way. 5 Into whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house.' 6 If a son of peace is there, your peace will rest on him; but if not, it will return to you. 7 Remain in that same house, eating and drinking the things they give, for the laborer is worthy of his wages. Don't go from house to house. 8 Into whatever city you enter, and they receive you, eat the things that are set before you. 9 Heal the sick who are therein, and tell them, the 'Kingdom of **Elohim** has come near to you.' 10 But into whatever city you enter, and they don't receive you, go out into its streets and say, 11 'Even the dust from your city that clings to us, we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the Kingdom of Elohim has come near to you.' 12 I tell you, it will be more tolerable in that day for Sodom than for that city.

13 "Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works had been done in Tyre and Sidon which were done in you, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. 14 But it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon in the judgment than for you. 15 You, Capernaum, who are exalted to heaven, will be brought down to Hades. 16 Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me. Whoever rejects me rejects him who sent me."

17 The seventy ret $\hat{\mathbf{u}}$ rned with joy, saying, "Our Master, even the demons are subject to us in your name!"

- 18 He said to **them**, "I saw Satan having fallen like lightning from heaven.19 Behold, I give you au**th**ority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy. Nothing will in any way hurt you. 20 Nevertheless, don't rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."
- 21 In that same hour Jeşuş rejoiçed in the Holy Spirit, and said, "I thank you, O Fäther, YAHWEH of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding, and revealed them to little children. Yes, Fäther, for so it was well-pleasing in your sight."
- 22 Tûrning to the disciples, he said, "All things have been delivered to me by my Fäther. No one knows who the Son is, except the Fäther, and who the Fäther is, except the Son, and he to whomever the Son desires to reveal him."
- 23 Turning to the disciples, he said privately, "Blessed are the eyes which see the things that you see, 24 for I tell you that many prophets and kings desired to see the things which you see, and didn't see them, and to hear the things which you hear, and didn't hear them."
- 25 Behold, a çêrtain låwyer stood up and tested him, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit etêrnal life?"
- 26 He said to him, "What is written in the Torah? How do you read it?"
- 27 He answered, "You shall love YAHWEH your Elohim with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself."
- 28 He said to him, "You have answered correctly. De this, and you will live."
- 29 But he, desiring to justify himself, \(\bar{a}\)sked Jeşuş, "Whe is my neighbor?"
- 30 Jeşuş answered, "A çêrtain man was going down from Jeruşalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who both stripped him and beat him, and depärted, leaving him hälf dead. 31 By chançe a çêrtain priest was going down that way. When he saw him, he pässed by on the other side. 32 In the same way a Levite also, when he came to the plaçe, and saw him, pässed by on the other side. 33 But a çêrtain Samaritan, as he traveled, came where he was. When he saw him, he was moved with compassion, 34 came to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. He set him on his own animal, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. 35 On the next day, when he depärted, he took out two denarii, and gave them to the host, and said to him, 'Take care of him. Whatever you spend beyond that, I will repay you when I return.' 36 Now which of these three do you think seemed to be a neighbor to him who fell among the robbers?"
- 37 He said, "He whe showed mêrçy on him."

Then Jeşuş said to him, "Go and de likewişe."

38 As they went on their way, he entered into a çêrtain village, and a çêrtain woman named Märtha reçeived him into her house. 39 She had a sister câlled Mary, who âlso sat at Jesus' feet, and hêard his word. 40 But Märtha was distracted with much sêrving, and she came up to him, and said, "My Master, don't you care that my sister left me to sêrve alone? äsk her therefore to help me."

41 Jeşuş answered her, "Märtha, Märtha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, 42 but one thing is needed. Mary has chosen the good pärt, which will not be taken away from her."

Luke 11

When he finished praying in a certain place, one of his disciples said to him, "Our Master, teach us to pray, just as John also taught his disciples."

2 He said to **th**em, "When you pray, say,

'Our Fäther in heaven, may your name be kept holy. May your Kingdom come. May your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.3 Give us day by day our daily bread.4 Forgive us our sins, for we ourselves also forgive everyone who is indebted to us. Bring us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.'"

5 He said to **them**, "Whi**ch** of you, if you go to a friend at midn**i**ght, and tell him, 'Friend, lend me **three** loaves of bread, 6 for a friend of mine has come to me from a joûrney, and I have nothing to set before him,' 7 and he from within will answer and say, 'Don't bother me. The door is new shut, and my children are with me in bed. I can't get up and give it to you'? 8 I tell you, although he will not rise and give it to him because he is his friend, yet because of his persistence, he will get up and give him as many as he needs.

9 "I tell you, keep äsking, and it will be given you. Keep seeking, and you will find. Keep knocking, and it will be opened to you. 10 For everyone who äsks reçeives. He who seeks finds. To him who knocks it will be opened.

11 "Which of you fäthers, if your son äsks for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he äsks for a fish, he won't give him a snake instead of a fish, will he? 12 Or if he äsks for an egg, he won't give him a scorpion, will he? 13 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Fäther give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?"

14 He was cästing out a demon, and it was mute. When the demon had gone out, the mute man spoke; and the multitudes märveled. 15 But some of them said, "He cästs out demons by Beelzebub, the prince of the demons." 16 Others, testing him, sought from him a sign from heaven. 17 But he, knowing their thoughts, said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation. A house divided against itself falls.

18 If Satan ålso is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? For you say that I cast out demons by Beelzebub. 19 But if I cast out demons by Beelzebub, by whom do your children cast them out? Therefore will they be your judges. 20 But if I by Elohim's finger cast out demons, then the Kingdom of Elohim has come to you.

21 "When the strong man, fully ärmed, guärdş his own dwelling, his goodş are safe. 22 But when someone stronger attacks him and overcomeş him, he takes from him his whole ärmor in which he trusted, and divideş his plunder.

23 "He that is not with me is against me. He who doesn't gather with me scatters.24 The unclean spirit, when he has gone out of the man, passes through dry places, seeking rest, and finding none, he says, 'I will turn back to my house from which I came out.' 25 When he returns, he finds it swept and put in order.26 Then he goes, and takes seven other spirits more evil than himself, and they enter in and dwell there. The läst state of that man becomes worse than the first."

27 It came to pass, as he said **these things**, a **ce**rtain woman out of the multitude lifted up her voi**c**e, and said to him, "Blessed is the womb that bore you, and the breasts which nûrsed you!"

28 But he said, "On the contrary, blessed are **those** who hear the word of **Elohim**, and keep it."

29 When the multitudes were gathering together to him, he began to say, "This is an evil generation. It seeks after a sign. No sign will be given to it but the sign of Jonah, the prophet. 30 For even as Jonah became a sign to the Ninevites, so will also the Son of Man be to this generation. 31 The Queen of the South will rise up in the judgment with the men of this generation, and will condemn them: for she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and behold, one greater than Solomon is here. 32 The men of Nineveh will stand up in the judgment with this generation, and will condemn it: for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and behold, one greater than Jonah is here.

33 "No one, when he has lit a lamp, puts it in a cellar or under a bäsket, but on a stand, that those who come in may see the light. 34 The lamp of the body is the eye. Therefore when your eye is good, your whole body is also full of light; but when it is evil, your body also is full of därkness. 35 Therefore see whether the light that is in you isn't därkness. 36 If therefore your whole body is full of light, having no part därk, it will be wholly full of light, as when the lamp with its bright shining gives you light."

37 New as he spoke, a çêrtain Pharisee äsked him to dine with him. He went in, and sat at the table. 38 When the Pharisee såw it, he märveled that he had not first washed himself before dinner.

39 The Lord said to him, "Now you Pharisees cleanse the outside of the cup and of the platter, but your inward part is full of extortion and wickedness. 40 You feelish ones, didn't he who made the outside make the inside also? 41 But give for gifts to the needy those things which are within, and behold, all things will be clean to you. 42 But woe to you Pharisees! For you tithe mint and rue and every herb, but you bypass justice and the love of Elohim. You ought to have done these, and not to have left the other undone. 43 Woe to you Pharisees! For you love the best seats in the synagogues, and the greetings in the marketplaces. 44 Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, Hypocrites! For you are like hidden graves, and the men who walk over them don't know it."

45 One of the lawyers answered him, "Teacher, in saying this you insult us also."

46 He said, "Woe to you lawyers also! For you load men with burdens that are difficult to carry, and you yourselves won't even lift one finger to help carry those burdens. 47 Woe to you! For you build the tembs of the prophets, and your fathers killed them. 48 So you testify and consent to the works of your fathers. For they killed them, and you build their tembs. 49 Therefore also the wisdom of Elohim said, 'I will send to them prophets and apostles; and some of them they will kill and per-secute, 50 that the blood of all the prophets, which was shed from the foundation of the world, may be required of this generation; 51 from the blood of Abel to the blood of Zachariah, who perished between the altar and the sanctuary. Yes, I tell you, it will be required of this gen-eration. 52 Woe to you lawyers! For you took away the key of knowledge. You didn't enter in yourselves, and those who were entering in, you hindered."

53 As he said **these th**ings to **them**, the scribes and the **Ph**arisees began to be terribly angry, and to draw many **th**ings out of him; 54 lying in wait for him, and seeking to catch him in something he might say, that they might accuse him.

Luke 12

Meanwhile, when a multitude of many thousands had gathered together, so much so that they trampled on each other, he began to tell his disciples first of all, "Beware of the yeast of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy. 2 But there is nothing covered up, that will not be revealed, nor hidden, that will not be known.3 Therefore whatever you have said in the därkness will be heard in the light. What you have spoken in the ear in the inner rooms will be proclaimed on the housetops.

4 "I tell you, my friends, don't be afraid of **those** who kill the body, and after **that** have no more **that** they can do. 5 But I will warn you whom you should fear. Fear him, who after he has killed, has power to cast into Gehenna. Yes, I tell you, fear him.

6 "Aren't five sparrows sold for two assaria coins? Not one of them is forgotten by **Elohim**. 7 But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Therefore don't be afraid. You are of more value than many sparrows.

8 "I tell you, everyone who confesses me before men, him will the Son of Man also confess before the angels of **Elohim**; 9 but he who denies me in the presence of men will be denied in the presence of the angels of **Elohim**. 10 Everyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but those who blaspheme against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven. 11 When they bring you before the synagogues, the rulers, and the authorities, don't be anxious how or what you will answer, or what you must say; 12 for the Holy Spirit will teach you in that same hour what you must say."

13 One of the multitude said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me."

14 But he said to him, "Man, who made me a judge or an arbitrator over you?" 15 He said to them, "Beware! Keep yourselves from covetousness, for a man's life doesn't consist of the abundance of the things which he possesses."

16 He spoke a parable to **them**, saying, "The ground of a **çê**rtain rich man produ**ç**e**q** abundantly. 17 He reasoned within himself, saying, 'What will I de, becauşe I don't have reem to store my crops?' 18 He said, 'This is what I will de. I will pull down my barns, and build bigger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. 19 I will tell my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years. Take your ease, eat, drink, be merry."

20 "But **Elohim** said to him, 'You feelish one, tonight your soul is required of you. The **th**ings which you have prepared — whese will they be?' 21 So is he whe lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward **Elohim**."

22 He said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, don't be anxious for your life, what you will eat, nor yet for your body, what you will wear. 23 Life is more than food, and the body is more than clothing. 24 Consider the ravens: they don't sow, they don't reap, they have no warehouse or barn, and Elohim feeds them. How much more valuable are you than birds! 25 Which of you by being anxious can add a cubit to his height? 26 If then you aren't able to de even the least things, Why are you anxious about the rest? 27 Consider the lilies, how they grow. They don't toil, neither do they spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. 28 Bu t if this is how Elohim clothes the grass in the field, which today exists, and tomorrow is cast into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, Oh you of little faith? 29 Don't seek what you will eat or what you will drink; neither be anxious. 30 For the nations of the world seek after all of these things, but your Fäther knows that you need these things. 31 But seek the Kingdom of Elohim, and all these things will be added to you. 32 Don't be afraid, little flock, for it is your Fäther's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom.

33 Sell that which you have, and give gifts to the needy. Make for yourselves purses which don't grow old, a treasure in the heavens that doesn't fail, where no thief approaches, neither moth destroys. 34 For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

35 "Let your waist be dressed and your lamps burning. 36 Be like men watching for their Master, when he returns from the marriage feast; that, when he comes and knocks, they may immediately open to him. 37 Blessed are those servants, when their Masters will find watching when he comes. Most certainly I tell you, that he will dress himself, and make them recline, and will come and serve them. 38 They will be blessed if he comes in the second or third watch, and finds them so. 39 But know this, that if the mäster of the house had known in what hour the thief was coming, he would have watched, and not allowed his house to be broken into 40 Therefore be ready also, for the Son of Man is coming in an hour that you don't expect him."

41 Peter said to him, "Our master, are you telling **th**is parable to us, or to everybody?"

42 Jeşuş said, "Whe then is the faithfül and wise steward, whem his master will set over his household, to give them their portion of feed at the right times? 43 Blessed is that servant whem his master will find deing so when he comes. 44 Truly I tell you, that he will set him over all that he has. 45 But if that servant says in his heart, 'My master delays his coming, and begins to beat the menservants and the maidservants, and to eat and drink, and to be drunken, 46 then the master of that servant will come in a day when he isn't expecting him, and in an hour that he doesn't know, and will cut him in two, and place his portion with the unfaithfül. 47 That servant, who knew his mäster's will, and didn't prepare, nor de what he wanted, will be beaten with many stripes, 48 but he who didn't know, and did things worthy of stripes, will be beaten with few stripes. To whomever much is given, of him will much be required; and to whom much was entrusted, of him more will be äsked.

49 "I came to throw fire on the earth. I wish it were already kindled. 50 But I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how distressed I am until it is accomplished! 51 Do you think that I have come to give peace in the earth? I tell you, no, but rather division. 52 For from now on, there will be five in one house divided, three against two, and two against three. 53 They will be divided, father against son, and son against father; mother against daughter, and daughter against her mother; mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law, and daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law."

54 He said to the multitudes also, "When you see a cloud rising from the west, immediately you say, 'A shower is coming, and so it happens. 55 When a south wind blows, you say, 'There will be a scorching heat, and it happens. 56 You Hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of the earth and the sky, but how is it that you don't interpret this time?

57 Why don't you judge for yourselves what is right? 58 For when you are going with your adversary before the magistrate, try diligently on the way to be released from him, lest perhaps he drag you to the judge, and the judge deliver you to the officer, and the officer throw you into prison. 59 I tell you, you will by no means get out of there, until you have paid the very läst penny."

Luke 13

Now there were some present at the same time who told him about the Galileans, whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. 2 Jesus answered them, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered such things? 3 I tell you, no, but unless you repent, you will all perish in the same way. 4 Or those eighteen, on whom the tower in Siloam fell, and killed them; do you think that they were worse offenders than all the men who dwell in Jerusalem? 5 I tell you, no, but, unless you repent, you will all perish in the same way."

6 He spoke this parable. "A çêrtain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it, and found none. 7 He said to the vine dresser, 'Behold, these three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and found none. Cut it down. Why does it waste the soil?' 8 He answered, 'My Master, leave it alone this year also, until I dig around it, and fêrtilize it. 9 If it bears fruit, fine; but if not, after that, you can cut it down."

10 He was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath day. 11 Behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and she was bent over, and coù/d in no way straighten hêrself up. 12 When Jesus såw her, he câlled her, and said to her, "Woman, you are freed from your infirmity." 13 He laid his hands on her, and immediately she stood up straight, and glorified Elohim.

14 The ruler of the synagogue, being indignant becauşe Jeşuş had healed on the Sabbath, said to the multitude, "There are six days in which men ought to work. Therefore come on those days and be healed, and not on the Sabbath day!"

15 **Therefore** the Jeşuş answered him, "You Hypocrites! Doeşn't each one of you free his ox or his donkey from the stall on the Sabbath, and lead him away to water? 16 ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whem Satan had bound eighteen long years, be freed from this bondage on the Sabbath day?"

17 As he said **theş**e **th**ing**ş**, **å**ll his adv**ê**rsari**eş** were disappointed, and **å**ll the multit**u**de rejoi**ç**e**d** for **å**ll the gl**o**rious **th**ing**ş th**at were d**o**ne b**y** him.

18 He said, "What is the Kingdom of **Elohim** like? To what shall I compare it? 19 It is like a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and put in his

own gärden. It grew, and became a lärge tree, and the birds of the sky live in its branches."

20 Again he said, "To what shall I compare the Kingdom of Elohim? 21 It is like yeast, which a woman took and hid in three measures of flour, until it was all leavened."

22 He went on his way **th**rough **c**ities and villages, teaching, and traveling on to Jerusalem. 23 One said to him, "My Master, are **th**ey few wheare saved?"

He said to them, 24 "Strive to enter in by the narrow door, for many, I tell you, will seek to enter in, and will not be able. 25 When once the master of the house has risen up, and has shut the door, and you begin to stand outside, and to knock at the door, saying, 'Our Master, Our Master, open to us! then he will answer and tell you, 'I don't know you or where you come from.' 26 Then you will begin to say, 'We ate and drank in your presence, and you taught in our streets.' 27 He will say, 'I tell you, I don't know where you come from. Depart from me, all you workers of iniquity.' 28 There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and all the prophets, in the Kingdom of Elohim, and yourselves being thrown outside. 29 They will come from the east, west, north, and south, and will sit down in the Kingdom of Elohim. 30 Behold, there are some whe are läst whe will be first, and there are some whe are first whe will be läst."

31 On **th**at same day, some **Ph**arisees came, saying to him, "Get out of here, and go away, for Herod wants to kill you."

32 He said to **th**em, "Go and tell **th**at fox, 'Behold, I cäst out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the **th**ird day I complete my mission.33 Nevertheless I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the next day, for it cän't be **th**at a prophet perish outside of Jerusalem.

34 "Jeruşalem, Jeruşalem, that kills the prophets, and stoneş thoşe who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, like a hen gathers her own brood under her wings, and you refused! 35 Behold, your house is left to you desolate. I tell you, you will not see me, until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name YAHWEH'"

Luke 14

When he went into the house of one of the rulers of the Pharisees on a Sabbath to eat bread, they were watching him. 2 Behold, a certain man who had dropsy was in front of him. 3 Jesus, answering, spoke to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?" 4 But they were silent.

He took him, and healed him, and let him go. 5 He answered them, "Which of you, if your son or an ox fell into a well, wouldn't immediately pull him out on a Sabbath day?"

6 They couldn't answer him regarded these things.

7 He spoke a parable to **those** whe were invited, when he noticed how they **chose** the best seats, and said to **them**, 8 "When you are invited by anyone to a marriage feast, don't sit in the best seat, since perhaps someone more honorable than you might be invited by him, 9 and he whe invited both of you would come and tell you, 'Make reem for this person. Then you would begin, with shame, to take the lowest place. 10 But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when he whe invited you comes, he may tell you, 'Friend, meve up higher. Then you will be honored in the presence of all whe sit at the table with you. 11 For everyone whe exalts himself will be humbled, and wheever humbles himself will be exalted."

12 He **å**lso said to the one who had invited him, "When you make a dinner or a supper, don't c**å**ll your friends, nor your brothers, nor your kinsmen, nor rich neighbors, or perhaps they might **å**lso return the favor, and pay you back. 13 But when you make a feast, äsk the poor, the maimed, the lame, or the blind; 14 and you will be blessed, because they don't have the resources to repay you. For you will be repaid in the resurrection of the righteous."

15 When one of **those** who sat at the table with him heard **these** things, he said to him, "Blessed is he who will feast in the Kingdom of **Elohim!**"

16 But he said to him, "A certain man made a great supper, and he invited many people. 17 He sent out his servant at supper time to tell **those** who were invited, 'Come, for everything is ready now.' 18 **Th**ey all as one began to make excuses.

"The first said to him, 'I have bought a field, and I must go and see it. Pleaşe have me excuşed.

- 19 "Another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I must go try them out. Please have me excused.
- 20 "Another said, 'I have married a wife, and therefore I can't come.
- 21 "That sêrvant came, and told his master these things. Then the mäster of the house, being angry, said to his sêrvant, 'Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in the poor, maimed, blind, and lame.
- 22 "The servant said, 'My master, it is done as you commanded, and **th**ere is still reom.
- 23 "The Master said to the servant, 'Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled. 24 For I tell you that none of those men who were invited will taste of my supper.'"
- 25 New great multitudes were going with him. He tûrned and said to them, 26 "If anyone comes to me, and doesn't disregard his own father, mother, wife, children, brothers, and sisters, yes, and his own life also, he can't be my disciple.

27 Wheever doesn't bear his own cross, and come after me, can't be my disciple.28 For which of you, desiring to build a tower, doesn't first sit down and count the cost, to see if he has enough to complete it? 29 Or perhaps, when he has laid a foundation, and is not able to finish, everyone who sees begins to mock him,30 saying, 'This man began to build, and wasn't able to finish.' 31 Or what king, as he goes to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? 32 Or else, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends an envoy, and asks for conditions of peace. 33 So therefore whoever of you who doesn't renounce all that he has, he can't be my disciple. 34 Salt is good, but if the salt becomes flat and tasteless, with what do you season it? 35 It is fit neither for the soil nor for the manure pile. It is thrown out. He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

Luke 15

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming close to him to hear him. 2 The **Ph**arisees and the scribes murmured, saying, "This man welcomes sinners, and eats with them."

3 He told them this parable. 4 "Which of you men, if you had one hundred sheep, and lost one of them, woù/dn't leave the ninety-nine in the wilder-ness, and go after the one that was lost, until he found it? 5 When he has found it, he carries it on his shoulders, rejoiçing. 6 When he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoiçe with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost!' 7 I tell you that even so there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents, than over ninety-nine righteous people who need no repentançe. 8 Or what woman, if she had ten drachma coins, if she lost one drachma coin, woù/dn't light a lamp, sweep the house, and seek diligently until she found it? 9 When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoiçe with me, for I have found the drachma which I had lost.' 10 Even so, I tell you, there is joy in the presençe of the angels of Elohim over one sinner repenting."

11 He said, "A çêrtain man had two sons. 12 The younger of them said to his fäther, 'Fäther, give me my share of your property. He divided his livelihood between them. 13 Not many days after, the younger son gathered all of this together and traveled into a fär country. There he wasted his property with riotous living. 14 When he had spent all of it, there arose a severe famine in that country, and he began to be in need. 15 He went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed pigs. 16 He wanted to fill his belly with the husks that the pigs ate, but no one gave him any. 17 But when he came to himself he said, 'How many hired sêrvants of my fäther's have bread enough to spare, and I'm dying with hunger! 18 I will get up and go to my fäther, and will tell him, "Fäther, I have sinned against heaven, and in your sight.

19 l am no môre wôrthy to be câlled your son. Make me as one of your hired sêrvants."

20 "He aroşe, and came to his fäther. But while he was still fär off, his fäther såw him, and was meved with compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him. 21 The son said to him, 'Fäther, I have sinned against heaven, and in your sight. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.

22 "But the fäther said to his servants, 'Bring out the best robe, and put it on him. Put a ring on his hand, and shees on his feet. 23 Bring the fattened cälf, kill it, and let us eat, and celebrate; 24 for this, my son, was dead, and is alive again. He was lost, and is found. They began to celebrate.

25 "Now his elder son was in the field. As he came near to the house, he heard music and dancing. 26 He called one of the servants to him, and asked what was going on. 27 He said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened call, because he has received him back safe and healthy.' 28 But he was angry, and would not go in. Therefore his father came out, and begged him.29 But he answered his father, 'Behold, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed a command-ment of yours, but you never gave me a goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. 30 But when this, your son, came, who has devoured your living with prostitutes, you killed the fattened call for him.

31 "He said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. 32 But it was appropriate to celebrate and be glad, for this, your brother, was dead, and is alive again. He was lost, and is found."

Luke 16

He also said to his disciples, "There was a certain rich man who had a manager. An accusation was made to him that this man was wasting his possessions. 2 He called him, and said to him, 'What is that I hear about you? Give an accounting of your management, for you can no longer be manager.

3 "The manager said within himself, 'What will I do, seeing that my Master is taking away the management position from me? I don't have strength to dig. I am ashamed to beg. 4 I know what I will do, so that when I am removed from management, they may receive me into their houses.' 5 Calling each one of his master's debtors to him, he said to the first, 'How much do you owe to my Master?' 6 He said, 'A hundred batos of oil. He said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' 7 Then he said to another, 'How much do you owe? He said, 'A hundred cors of wheat. He said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.

8 "His Master commended the dishonest manager because he had done wisely, for the children of this world are, in their own generation, wiser than the children of the light.

9 I tell you, make for yourselves friends by means of unrighteous mammon, so that when you fail, they may receive you into the eternal tents. 10 He who is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much. He who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. 11 If therefore you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches? 12 If you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? 13 No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to one, and despise the other. You aren't able to serve Elohim and Mammon."

14 The Pharisees, whe were lovers of money, also heard all these things, and they scoffed at him. 15 He said to them, "You are those whe justify yourselves in the sight of men, but Elohim knows your hearts. For that which is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of Elohim. 16 The law and the prophets were until John. From that time the Good News of the Kingdom of Elohim is preached, and everyone is forcing his way into it. 17 But it is easier for heaven and earth to pass away, than for one tiny stroke of a pen of the Torah to fall. 18 Everyone whe divorces his wife, and marries another, commits adultery. He who marries one who is divorced from a husband commits adultery.

19 "New there was a çêrtain rich man, and he was clothed in pûrple and fine linen, living in luxury every day. 20 A çêrtain beggar, named Lazarus, was laid at his gate, full of sôreş, 21 and desiring to be fed with the crumbş that fell from the rich man's table. Yes, even the dogş came and licked his sôreş. 22 The beggar died, and he was carried away by the angelş to Abraham'ş böşöm. The rich man âlso died, and was buried. 23 In Hadeş, he lifted up his eyeş, being in tôrment, and sâw Abraham fär off, and Lazarus at his böşöm. 24 He cried and said, 'Fäther Abraham, have mêrçy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in wâter, and ceel my tôngue! Fôr I am in anguish in this flame.

25 "But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that you, in your lifetime, received your good things, and Lazarus, in the same way, bad things. But now here he is comforted and you are in anguish. 26 Besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, that those who want to pass from here to you are not able, and that no one may cross over from there to us.

27 "He said, 'l äsk you therefore, fäther, that you would send him to my fäther's house; 28 for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, so they won't also come into this place of torment.

29 "But Abraham said to him, 'They have Moşeş and the prophets. Let them listen to them.

30 "He said, 'No, fäther Abraham, but if one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.

31 "He said to him, 'If **th**ey don't listen to Moşeş and the prophets, neither will **th**ey be pêrsuaded if one rises from the dead.'"

Luke 17

He said to the disciples, "It is impossible that no occasions of stumbling shoù/d come, but woe to him through whem they come! 2 It woù/d be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were thrown into the sea, räther than that he shoù/d cause one of these little ones to stumble. 3 Be careful. If your brother sins against you, rebuke him. If he repents, forgive him. 4 If he sins against you seven times in the day, and seven times retûrns, saying, 'I repent, you shall forgive him."

5 The apostle said to our Master, "Increase our faith."

6 He said, "If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you would tell this sycamore tree, 'Be uprected, and be planted in the sea, and it would obey you.7 But whe is there among you, having a servant plowing or keeping sheep, that will say, when he comes in from the field, 'Come immediately and sit down at the table,' 8 and will not rather tell him, 'Prepare my supper, clothe yourself properly, and serve me, while I eat and drink. afterward you shall eat and drink'? 9 Does he thank that servant because he did the things that were commanded? I think not. 10 Even so you also, when you have done all the things that are commanded you, say, 'We are unworthy servants. We have done our duty.'"

11 As he was on his way to Jeruşalem, he was pässing along the borderş of Samaria and Galilee. 12 As he entered into a çêrtain village, ten men who were leperş met him, who stood at a distançe. 13 They lifted up their voiçeş, saying, "Jeşuş, Mäster, have mêrçy on us!"

14 When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." As they went, they were cleansed. 15 One of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, glorifying Elohim with a loud voice. 16 He fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks; and he was a Samaritan. 17 Jesus answered, "Weren't the ten cleansed? But where are the nine? 18 Were there none found who returned to give glory to Elohim, except this stranger?" 19 Then he said to him, "Get up, and go your way. Your faith has healed you."

20 Being äsked by the Phariseeş when the Kingdom of Elohim would come, he answered them, "The Kingdom of Elohim doeşn't come with obşêrvation; 21 neither will they say, 'Look, here! or, 'Look, there! for behold, the Kingdom of Elohim is within you."

22 He said to the disciples, "The days will come, when you will desire to see one of the days of the Son of Man, and you will not see it. 23 **Th**ey will tell you, 'Look, here! or 'Look, there! Don't go away, nor follow after them,

24 for as the lightning, when it flashes out of the one part under the sky, shines to the other part under the sky; so will the Son of Man be in his day. 25 But first, he must suffer many things and be rejected by this generation. 26 As it was in the days of Noah, even so will it be also in the days of the Son of Man. 27 They ate, they drank, they married, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ship, and the flood came, and destroyed them all. 28 Likewise, even as it was in the days of Lot: they ate, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they built; 29 but in the day that Lot went out from Sodom, it rained fire and sulfur from the sky, and destroyed them all. 30 It will be the same way in the day that the Son of Man is revealed. 31 In that day, he who will be on the housetop, and his goods in the house, let him not go down to take them away. Let him who is in the field likewise not tûrn back. 32 Remember Lot's wife! 33 Wheever seeks to save his life leses it, but wheever leses his life preserves it. 34 I tell you, in that night there will be two people in one bed. The one will be taken, and the other will be left. 35 There will be two grinding grain together. One will be taken, and the other will be left."

37 **Th**ey, answering, **ä**ske**d** him, "Where, Our Master?"

He said to them, "Where the body is, there will the vulture, also be gathered together."

Luke 18

He also spoke a parable to them that they must always pray, and not give up, 2 saying, "There was a judge in a certain city who didn't fear Elohim, and didn't respect man. 3 A widow was in that city, and she often came to him, saying, 'Defend me from my adversary!' 4 He wouldn't for a while, but afterward he said to himself, 'Though I neither fear Elohim, nor respect man, 5 yet because this widow bothers me, I will defend her, or else she will wear me out by her continual coming.'"

6 Our Master said, "Listen to what the unrighteous judge says. 7 Won't Elohim avenge his chosen ones, who are crying out to him day and night, and yet he exercises patience with them? 8 I tell you that he will avenge them quickly. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

9 He spoke also this parable to certain people who were convinced of their own righteousness, and who despised all others. 10 "Two men went up into the temple to pray; one was a Pharisee, and the other was a tax collector. 11 The Pharisee stood and prayed to himself like this: 'Elohim, I thank you, that I am not like the rest of men, extortionists, unrighteous, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. 12 I fast twice a week. I give tithes of all that I get.' 13 But the tax collector, standing far away, wouldn't even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'Elohim, be merciful to me, a sinner!'

- 14 I tell you, **th**is man went down to his house justified räther **th**an the **oth**er; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted."
- 15 They were also bringing their babies to him, that he might touch them. But when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. 16 Jesus summoned them, saying, "Allow the little children to come to me, and don't hinder them, for the Kingdom of Elohim belongs to such as these. 17 Most certainly, I tell you, wheever doesn't receive the Kingdom of Elohim like a little child, he will in no way enter into it."
- 18 A çêrtain ruler äsked him, saying, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit etêrnal life?"
- 19 Jeşuş äsked him, "Why de you câll me good? No one is good, except one— **Elohim**, 'Don't steal, 'Don't give fâlse testimony, 'Honor your father and your mother.'"
- 21 He said, "I have obşêrved all theşe things from my youth up."
- 22 When Jeşuş hêard theşe things, he said to him, "You still lack one thing. Sell all that you have, and distribute it to the poor. You will have treasure in heaven. Come, follow me."
- 23 But when he heard these things, he became very sad, for he was very rich.
- 24 Jeşuş, seeing that he became very sad, said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter into the kingdom of Elohim! 25 For it is easier for a rope to enter in through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of Elohim." 26 Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?"
- 27 But he said, "The things which are impossible with men are possible with Elohim."
- 28 Peter said, "Look, we have left everything, and followed you."
- 29 He said to **them**, "Most **çê**rtainly I tell you, **there** is no one who has left house, or wife, or brothers, or parents, or **children**, for the sake of the kingdom of **Elohim** 30 who will not receive many times more in **th**is time, and in the world to come, etêrnal life."
- 31 He took the twelve aside, and said to them, "Behold, we are going up to Jeruşalem, and all the things that are written through the prophets conçerning the Son of Man wil be completed. 32 For he will be delivered up to the Gentiles, will be mocked, treated shamefully, and spat on. 33 They will scourge and kill him. On the third day, he will rise again."
- 34 They understood none of these things. This saying was hidden from them, and they didn't understand the things that were said. 35 As he came near Jericho, a cêrtain blind man sat by the road, begging.

36 Hearing a multitude going by, he äsked what this meant. 37 They told him that Jeşuş of Nazareth was passing by. 38 He cried out, "Jeşuş, you son of David, have mêrçy on me!" 39 Those who led the way rebuked him, that he should be quiet; but he cried out all the more, "You son of David, have mêrçy on me!"

40 Standing still, Jeşuş commanded him to be brought to him. When he had come near, he äsked him, 41 "What do you want me to do?"

He said, "My Master, that I may see again."

42 Jeşuş said to him, "Reçeive your sight. Your faith has healed you."

43 Immediately he received his sight, and followed him, glorifying Elohim. all the people, when they saw it, praised Elohim.

Luke 19

He entered and was pässing through Jericho. 2 There was a man named Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. 3 He was trying to see who Jesus was, and couldn't because of the crowd, because he was short. 4 He ran on ahead, and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was going to päss that way. 5 When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and saw him, and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for today I must stay at your house." 6 He hurried, came down, and received him joyfully. 7 When they saw it, they all murmured, saying, "He has gone in to lodge with a man who is a sinner."

- 8 Zacchaeus stood and said Jeşuş, "Behold, my Master, hälf of my goods I give to the poor. If I have wrongfully exacted anything of anyone, I restore four times as much."
- 9 Jeşuş said to him, "Today, salvation haş come to this houşe, becauşe he also is a son of Abraham. 10 For the Son of Man came to seek and to save that which was lost."
- 11 As **th**ey h**ê**ard **theş**e **th**ing**ş**, he went on and **to**ld a parable, bec**a**u**ş**e he was n**e**ar Jer**uş**alem, and **th**ey supp**oş**e**d th**at the Kingd**o**m of **Elohim** wo**u**id be revealed immediately. 12 He said **th**eref**o**re, "A **ç**êrtain n**o**bleman went into a f**a**r country to re**çe**ive for himself a kingd**o**m, and to ret**u**rn. 13 He c**a**lled ten s**e**rvants of his, and gave **th**em ten m**i**na coin**ş**, and **to**ld **th**em, 'Conduct business until I c**o**me.'14 But his **ç**itizen**ş** hated him, and sent an envoy after him, saying, 'We don't want **th**is man to reign **o**ver us.
- 15 "When he had come back again, having received the kingdom, he commanded these servants, to whom he had given the money, to be called to him, that he might know what they had gained by conducting business. 16 The first came before him, saying, 'My Master, your mina has made ten more minas.

- 17 "He said to him, 'Well done, you good servant! Becauşe you were found faithful with very little, you shall have authority over ten cities.
- 18 "The second came, saying, 'Your mina, my Master, has made five minas.
- 19 "So he said to him, 'And you are to be over five cities.' 20 Another came, saying, 'My Master, behold, your mina, which I kept laid away in a handkerchief, 21 for I feared you, because you are an exacting man. You take up that which you didn't lay down, and reap that which you didn't sow.
- 22 "He said to him, 'Out of your own mouth will I judge you, you wicked servant! You knew that I am an exacting man, taking up that which I didn't lay down, and reaping that which I didn't sow. 23 Then why didn't you deposit my money in the bank, and at my coming, I might have earned interest on it?' 24 He said to those who stood by, 'Take the mina away from him, and give it to him who has the ten minas.
- 25 "They said to him, 'My Master, he has ten minas!' 26 'For I tell you that to everyone who has, will more be given; but from him who doesn't have, even that which he has will be taken away from him. 27 But bring those enemies of mine who didn't want me to reign over them here, and kill them before me.'" 28 Having said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.
- 29 When he came near to Bethsphage and Bethany, at the mountain that is called Olivet, he sent two of his disciples, 30 saying, "Go your way into the village on the other side, in which, as you enter, you will find a colt tied, whereon no man ever yet sat. Untile it, and bring it. 31 If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it? You say to him: 'Our Master needs it.'"
- 32 Those who were sent went away, and found things just as he had told them. 33 As they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" 34 They said, "Our Master needs it." 35 They brought it to Jesus. They threw their cloaks on the colt, and set Jesus on them. 36 As he went, they spread their cloaks on the road. 37 As he was now getting near, at the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise Elohim with a loud voice for all the mighty works which they had seen, 38 saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of YAHWEH! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest!"
- 39 Some of the **Ph**aris**eeş** from the multitude said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disçipleş!"
- 40 He answered them, "I tell you that if these were silent, the stones would cry out."
- 41 When he came near, he saw the city and wept over it, 42 saying, "If you, even you, had known today the things which belong to your peace! But now, they are hidden from your eyes.

43 For the days will come on you, when your enemies will throw up a barricade against you, surround you, hem you in on every side, 44 and will dash you and your children within you to the ground. They will not leave in you one stone on another, because you didn't know the time of your visitation."

45 He entered into the temple, and began to drive out **those** who bought and sold in it, 46 saying to **th**em, "It is written, 'My house is a house of prayer, but you have made it a 'den of robbers'!"

47 He was teaching daily in the temple, but the **chief** priests and the scribes and the leading men among the people sought to destroy him. 48 **Th**ey couldn't find what **th**ey might do, for all the people hung on to every word **th**at he said.

Luke 20

On one of **those** days, as he was **teaching** the **people** in the temple and preaching the Good News, the priests and scribes came to him with the elders. 2 **They** äsked him, "Tell us: by what authority do you do these things? Or who is giving you this authority?"

3 He answered **th**em, "I **å**ls**o** will **ä**sk you one **qu**esti**o**n. Tell me: 4 the bapti**ş**m of John, was it from heaven, or from men?"

5 They reasoned with themselves, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven, he will say, 'Why didn't you believe him?' 6 But if we say, 'From men, all the people will stone us, for they are persuaded that John was a prophet." 7 They answered that they didn't know where it was from.

8 Jeşuş said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I de these things."

9 He began to tell the people this parable. "A man planted a vineyard, and rented it out to some farmers, and went into another country for a long time. 10 At the proper season, he sent a servant to the farmers to collect his share of the fruit of the vineyard. But the farmers beat him, and sent him away empty. 11 He sent yet another servant, and they also beat him, and treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty. 12 He sent yet a third, and they also wounded him, and threw him out. 13 The master of the vineyard said, 'What shall I de? I will send my beloved son. It may be that seeing him, they will respect him.

14 "But when the färmers såw him, they reasoned among themselves, saying, 'This is the heir. Come, let's kill him, that the inheritance may be ours.' 15 They threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. What therefore will the master of the vineyard do to them? 16 He will come and destroy these färmers, and will give the vineyard to others."

When **th**ey heard it, **th**ey said, "May it never be!"

17 But he looked at them, and said, "Then what is this that is written,

'The stone which the builders rejected, the same was made the chief cornerstone? 18 Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces but it will crush whomever it falls on to dust."

19 The **chief** priests and the scribes sought to lay hands on him **th**at very hour, but **th**ey feared the people—for **th**ey knew he had spoken **th**is parable against **th**em. 20 They watched him, and sent out spies, who pretended to be righteous, **th**at **th**ey might trap him in something he said, so as to deliver him up to the power and authority of the governor. 21 **Th**ey asked him, "Teacher, we know that you say and teach what is right, and aren't partial to anyone, but truly teach the way of **Elohim**. 22 Is it lawful for us to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?"

23 But he pêrçeived **th**eir cräftiness, and said to **th**em, "Why de you test me? 24 Show me a denarius. Whese image and inscription are on it?"

They answered, "Caeşar'ş."

25 He said to them, "Then give to Caeşar the things that are Caeşar's, and to Elohim the things that are Elohim's God's."

26 They wêren't able to trap him in his wôrds before the people. They märveled at his answer, and were silent. 27 Some of the Sadduçees came to him, those who deny that there is a resurrection. 28 They äsked him, "Teacher, Moses wrote to us that if a man's brother dies having a wife, and he is childless, his brother shoù/d take the wife, and raise up children for his brother. 29 There were therefore seven brothers. The first took a wife, and died childless. 30 The second took her as wife, and he died childless. 31 The third took her, and likewise the seven all left no children, and died. 32 Afterward the woman also died. 33 Therefore in the resurrection whose wife of them will she be? For the seven had her as a wife."

34 Jeşuş said to them, "The children of this age marry, and are given in marriage. 35 But those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry, nor are given in marriage. 36 For they can't die any more, for they are like the angels, and are children of Elohim, being children of the resurrection. 37 But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed at the bush, when he called YAHWEH 'The Elohim of Abraham, the Elohim of Isaac, and the Elohim of Jacob. 38 Now he is not the Elohim of the dead, but of the living, for all are alive to him."

39 Some of the scribes answered, "Teacher, you speak well." 40 They didn't dare to ask him any môre questions.

41 He said to **th**em, "Wh**y** d**• th**ey say **th**at the Christ is David'ş son? 42 David himself sayş in the book of Psä/mş,

'YAHWEH said to my Master, "Sit at my right hand, 43 until I make your enemies the footstool of your feet."

44 "David therefore calls him 'My (human) Master', so how is he his son?"

45 In the hearing of all the people, he said to his disciples, 46 "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk in long robes, and love greetings in the marketplaces, the best seats in the synagogues, and the best places at feasts; 47 who devour widows' houses, and for a pretense make long prayers: these will receive greater condemnation."

Luke 21

He looked up, and saw the rich people who were putting their gifts into the treasury. 2 He saw a certain poor widow casting in two small brass coins. 3 He said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow put in more than all of them, 4 for all these put in gifts for Elohim from their abundance, but she, out of her poverty, put in all that she had to live on."

5 As some were taking about the temple and how it was decorated with beautiful stones and gifts, he said, 6 "As for these things which you see, the days will come, in which there will not be left here one stone on another that will not be thrown down."

7 They äsked him, "Teacher, so when will these things be? What is the sign that these things are about to happen?"

8 He said, "Watch out that you don't get led astray, for many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he and, 'The time is at hand. Therefore don't follow them. 9 When you hear of wars and disturbances, don't be terrified, for these things must happen first, but the end won't come immediately."

10 Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. 11 There will be great êarthquakes, famines, and plagues in various plaçes. There will be terrors and great signs from heaven. 12 But before all these things, they will lay their hands on you and will persecute you, delivering you up to synagogues and prisons, bringing you before kings and governors for my name's sake. 13 It will turn out as a testimony for you. 14 Settle it therefore in your hearts not to meditate before-hand how to answer, 15 for I will give you a mouth and wisdom which all your adversaries will not be able to withstand or to contradict. 16 You will be handed over even by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends. They will cause some of you to be put to death. 17 You will be hated by all men for my name's sake. 18 And not a hair of your head will perish.

19 "By your endurance you will win your lives.

20 "But when you see Jeruşalem surrounded by ärmieş, then know that its deşolation is at hand. 21 Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. Let those who are in the middle of her depart. Let those who are in the country not enter therein.

22 For these are days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled. 23 Woe to those who are pregnant and to those who nurse infants in those days! For there will be great distress in the land, and wrath to this people. 24 They will fall by the edge of the sword, and will be led captive into all the nations. Jerusalem will be trampled down by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled. 25 There will be signs in the sun, moon, and stars; and on the earth anxiety of nations, in perplexity for the roaring of the sea and the waves; 26 men fainting for fear, and for expectation of the things which are coming on the world: for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. 27 Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. 28 But when these things begin to happen, look up, and lift up your heads, because your redemption is near."

29 He told them a parable. "See the fig tree, and all the trees. 30 When they are already budding, you see it and know by your own selves that the summer is already near. 31 Even so you also, when you see these things happening, know that the Kingdom of Elohim is near. 32 Most certainly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things are accomplished. 33 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will by no means pass away.

34 "So be careful, or your hearts will be loaded down with carousing, drunkenness, and cares of this life, and that day will come on you suddenly.35 For it will come like a snare on all those who dwell on the surface of all the earth. 36 Therefore be watchful all the time, praying that you may be counted worthy to escape all these things that will happen, and to stand before the Son of Man."

37 Every day Jeşuş was teaching in the temple, and every night he would go out and spend the night on the mountain that is called Olivet. 38 All the people came early in the morning to him in the temple to hear him.

Luke 22

Now the feast of unleavened bread, which is called the Pässover, was approaching. 2 The chief priests and the scribes sought how they might put him to death, for they feared the people. 3 Satan entered into Judas, who was also called Iscariot, who was numbered with the twelve. 4 He went away, and talked with the chief priests and captains about how he might deliver him to them. 5 They were glad, and agreed to give him money. 6 He consented, and sought an opportunity to deliver him to them in the absence of the multitude. 7 The day of unleavened bread came, on which the Pässover must be sacrificed. 8 He sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Pässover for us, that we may eat."

9 They said to him, "Where do you want us to prepare?"

- 10 He said to **them**, "Behold, when you have entered into the **c**ity, a man carrying a pitcher of water will meet you. Follow him into the house which he enters.11 Tell the mäster of the house, 'The Teacher says to you, "Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Pässover with my disciples?" 12 He will show you a lärge, fürnished upper room. Make preparations there."
- 13 They went, found things as he had told them, and they prepared the Pässover. 14 When the hour had come, he sat down with the twelve apostle. 15 He said to them, "I have carnestly desired to eat this Pässover with you before I suffer, 16 for I tell you, I will no longer by any means eat of it until it is fulfilled in the Kingdom of Elohim." 17 He received a cup, and when he had given thanks, he said, "Take this, and share it among yourselves, 18 for I tell you, I will not drink at all again from the fruit of the vine, until the Kingdom of Elohim comes."
- 19 He took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave to them, saying, "This is my body which is given for you. De this in memory of me."20 Likewise, he took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in myblood, which is poured out for you. 21 But behold, the hand of him who betrays me is with me on the table. 22 The Son of Man indeed goes, as it has been determined, but woe to that man through whom he is betrayed!"
- 23 They began to question among themselves, which of them it was who would do this thing. 24 There arose also a contention among them, which of them was considered to be greatest. 25 He said to them, "The kings of the nations are in authority over them, and those who have authority over them are called benefactors.'26 But not so with you. But one who is the greater among you, let him become as the younger, and one who is governing, as one who serves. 27 For who is greater, one who sits at the table, or one who serves? Isn't it he who sits at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. 28 But you are those who have continued with me in my trials. 29 I confer on you a kingdom, even as my Fäther conferred on me, 30 that you may eat and drink at my table in my Kingdom. You will sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel."
- 31 Jeşuş said, "Simon, Simon, behold, Satan äsked to have you, that he might sift you as wheat, 32 but I prayed for you, that your faith wouldn't fail. You, when once you have turned again, establish your brothers."
- 33 He said to him, "My Master, I am ready to go with you both to prison and to death!"
- 34 He said, "I tell you, Peter, the rester will by no means crow today until you deny that you know me three times."
- 35 He said to **th**em, "When I sent you **o**ut wi**tho**ut pûrse, and wallet, and **sho**es, did you lack any**th**ing?"

They said, "Nothing."

- 36 **Then** he said to **them**, "But now, who ever has a purse, let him take it, and likewise a wallet. Who ever has none, let him sell his cloak, and buy a sword. 37 For I tell you **that this** which is written must still be fulfilled in me: 'He was counted with transgressors. For **that** which concerns me has an end."
- 38 They said, "Our Master, behold, here are two swords."

He said to them, "That is enough."

- 39 He came out, and went, as his custom was, to the Mount of Olives. His disciples also followed him. 40 When he was at the place, he said to them, "Pray that you don't enter into temptation."
- 41 He was withdrawn from them about a stone's throw, and he knelt down and prayed, 42 saying, "Fäther, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done."
- 43 An angel from heaven appeared to him, strengthening him. 44 Being in agony he prayed more earnestly. His sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground.
- 45 When he rose up from his prayer, he came to the disciples, and found them sleeping because of grief, 46 and said to them, "Why do you sleep? Rise and pray that you may not enter into temptation."
- 47 While he was still speaking, behold, a multitude, and he who was called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He came near to Jeşuş to kiss him. 48 But Jeşuş said to him, "Judas, do you betray the Son of Man with a kiss?"
- 49 When **those** who were around him saw what was about to happen, **they** said to him, "Our Master, **shall** we strike with the sword?" 50 A certain one of **them** struck the servant of the high priest, and cut off his right ear.
- 51 But Jeşuş answered, "Let me at least de this"—and he touched his ear, and healed him. 52 Jeşuş said to the chief priests, captains of the temple, and elders, whe had come against him, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs? 53 When I was with you in the temple daily, you didn't stretch out your hands against me. But this is your hour, and the power of därkness."
- 54 **Th**ey seized him, and led him away, and brought him into the high priest's house. But Peter followed from a distance. 55 When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard, and had sat down together, Peter sat among them. 56 A certain servant girl saw him as he sat in the light, and looking intently at him, said, "This man also was with him."
- 57 He denied Jeşuş, saying, "Woman, I don't know him."
- 58 After a little while someone else saw him, and said, "You also are one of them!"

But Peter answered. "Man. I am not!"

- 59 After about one hour passed, another confidently affirmed, saying, "Truly this man also was with him, for he is a Galilean!"
- 60 But Peter said, "Man, I don't know what you are taking about!" Immediately, while he was still speaking, a reester crowed. 61 Jeşuş tûrned, and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered Our Master's word, how he said to him, "Before the reester crows you will deny me three times." 62 He went out, and wept bitterly.
- 63 The men who held Jeşuş mocked him and beat him. 64 Having blindfolded him, they struck him on the façe and äsked him, "Prophesy! Who is the one who struck you?" 65 They spoke many other things against him, insulting him.
- 66 As seen as it was day, the assembly of the elders of the people was gathered together, both chief priests and scribes, and they led him away into their council, saying, 67 "If you are the Christ, tell us."

But he said to **th**em, "If I tell you, you won't believe, 68 and if I **ä**sk, you will in no way answer me or let me go. 69 From now on, the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of **Elohim**."

70 They all said, "Are you then the Son of Elohim?"

He said to them, "You say it, becauşe I am."

71 **Th**ey said, "Why do we need any more witness? For we ourselves have heard from his own mouth!"

Luke 23

The whole company of them rose up and brought him before Pilate. 2 They began to accuse him, saying, "We found this man perverting the nation, forbidding paying taxes to Caesar, and saying that he himself is Christ, a king."

3 Pilate äsked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?"

He answered him, "So you say."

- 4 Pilate said to the **chief** priests and the multitudes, "I find no basis for a **charge** against **th**is man."
- 5 But they insisted, saying, "He stîrş up the people, teaching throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee even to this place." 6 But when Pilate heard Galilee mentioned, he äsked if the man was a Galilean. 7 When he found out that he was in Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem during those days.
- 8 Now when Herod saw Jeşuş, he was exceedingly glad, for he had wanted to see him for a long time, becauşe he had heard many things about him. He hoped to see some miracle done by him. 9 He questioned him with many words, but he gave no answers.

10 The **chief** priests and the scribeş stood, vehemently accuşing him. 11 Herod with his soldiers humiliated him and mocked him. Dressing him in luxurious clothing, they sent him back to Pilate. 12 Herod and Pilate became friends with each other that very day, for before that they were enemies with each other.

13 Pilate cålled together the chief priests and the rulers and the people, 14 and said to them, "You brought this man to me as one that perverts the people, and see, I have examined him before you, and found no basis for a charge against this man concerning those things of which you accuse him. 15 Neither has Herod, for I sent you to him, and see, nothing worthy of death has been done by him. 16 I will therefore chastise him and release him."

17 Now he had to release one prisoner to them at the feast. 18 But they all cried out together, saying, "Away with this man! Release to us Barabbas!"— 19 one who was thrown into prison for a certain revolt in the city, and for murder.

20 **Th**en Pilate spoke to **th**em again, wanting to release Jeşuş, 21 but **th**ey **sho**uted, saying, "Cruçify! Cruçify him!"

22 He said to them the third time, "Why? What evil has this man done? I have found no capital crime in him. I will therefore chastise him and release him." 23 But they were ûrgent with loud voices, äsking that he might be crucified. Their voices and the voices of the chief priests pre-vailed. 24 Pîlate decreed that what they äsked for shoùld be done. 25 He released him who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and mûrder, for whom they äsked, but he delivered Jesus up to their will.

26 When they led him away, they grabbed one Simon of Cyrene, coming from the country, and laid on him the cross, to carry it after Jeşuş. 27 A great multitude of the people followed him, including women who also mourned and lamented him. 28 But Jeşuş, tûrning to them, said, "Daughters of Jeruşalem, don't weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. 29 For behold, the days are coming in which they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nûrsed.' 30 Then they will begin to tell the mountains, 'Fall on us! and tell the hills, 'Cover us.31 For if they do these things in the green tree, what will be done in the dry?"

32 **There** were **å**ls**o otherş**, tw**e** criminals, led wi**th** him to be p**u**t to dea**th**. 33 When **they** came to the pla**ç**e **th**at is c**å**lled The Skull, **they** cru**ç**ified him **there** wi**th** the criminal**ş**, one on the right and the **oth**er on the left.

34 Jeşuş said, "Fäther, forgive them, for they don't know what they are deing."

Dividing his gärments among them, they cäst lots. 35 The people stood watching. The rulers with them also scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others. Let him save himself, if this is the Christ of Elohim, his chosen one!"

- 36 The soldiers also mocked him, coming to him and offering him vinegar, 37 and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!"
- 38 An inscription was also written over him in letters of Greek, Latin, and Hebrew: "THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS."
- 39 One of the criminals who was hanged insulted him, saying, "If you are the Christ, save yourself and us!"
- 40 But the **oth**er answered, and rebuking him said, "Don't you even fear **Elohim**, seeing you are under the same condemnation? 41 And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." 42 He said to Jeşuş, "My Master, remember me when you come into your Kingdom."
- 43 Jeşuş said to him, "Assuredly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."
- 44 It was now about the sixth hour, and därkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour. 45 The sun was därkened, and the veil of the temple was torn in two. 46 Jeşuş, crying with a loud voiçe, said, "Fäther, into your hands I commit my spirit!" Having said this, he breathed his läst.
- 47 When the centurion saw what was done, he glorified Elohim, saying, "certainly this was a righteous man." 48 All the multitudes that came together to see this, when they saw the things that were done, returned home beating their breasts. 49 All his acquaintances, and the women who followed with him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.
- 50 Behold, a man named Joseph, who was a member of the council, a good and righteous man 51 (he had not consented to their counsel and deed), from Arimathaea, a city of the Jews, who was also waiting for the Kingdom of Elohim: 52 this man went to Pilate, and asked for Jesus' body. 53 He took it down, and wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid him in a tomb that was cut in stone, where no one had ever been laid. 54 It was the day of the Preparation, and the Sabbath was drawing near. 55 The women, who had come with him out of Galilee, followed after, and saw the tomb, and how his body was laid. 56 They returned, and prepared spices and ointments. On the Sabbath they rested according to the commandment

Luke 24

But on the first day of the week, at early down, they and some others came to the tomb, bringing the spices which they had prepared. 2 They found the stone rolled away from the tomb. 3 They entered in, and didn't find the body of Jesus. 4 While they were greatly perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling clothing. 5 Becoming terrified, they bowed their faces down to the earth.

They said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? 6 He işn't here, but is rişen. Remember what he told you when he was still in Galilee, 7 saying that the Son of Man must be delivered up into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again?"

8 They remembered his words, 9 returned from the temb, and told all these things to the eleven, and to all the rest. 10 New they were Mary Magdalene, Joanna, and Mary the mother of James. The other women with them told these things to the apostle. 11 These words seemed to them to be nonsense, and they didn't believe them. 12 But Peter got up and ran to the temb. Steeping and looking in, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he departed to his home, wondering what had happened.

13 Behold, two of them were going that very day to a village named Emmaus, which was sixty stadia from Jeruşalem. 14 They taked with each other about all of these things which had happened. 15 While they taked and questioned together, Jeşuş himself came near, and went with them. 16 But their eyeş were kept from recognizing him. 17 He said to them, "What are you taken about as you wake, and are sad?"

18 One of **th**em, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the **only** stranger in Jeruşalem who doeşn't know the **th**ingş which have happened **th**ere in **the**şe dayş?"

19 He said to them, "What things?"

They said to him, "The things concerning Jesus, the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before Elohim and all the people; 20 and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. 21 But we were hoping that it was he who would redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. 22 Also, certain women of our company amazed us, having arrived early at the tomb; 23 and when they didn't find his body, they came saying that they had also seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. 24 Some of us went to the tomb, and found it just like the women had said, but they didn't see him."

25 He said to **them**, "Feelish men, and slow of heart to believe in **all that** the prophets have spoken! 26 Didn't the Christ have to suffer **these things** and to enter into his glory?" 27 Beginning from Moses and from **all** the prophets, he explained to **them** in **all** the Scriptures the **th**ings con-cerning himself. 28 **They** came near to the village, where **they** were going, and he acted like he would go further.

29 **Th**ey **û**r**g**ed him, saying, "Stay wi**th** us, for it is **å**lm**o**st **e**vening, and the day is **å**lm**o**st **o**ver."

He went in to stay with them. 30 When he had sat down at the table with them, he took the bread and gave thanks. Breaking it, he gave to them. 31 Their eyeş were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished out of their sight. 32 They said to one another, "Wêren't our heärts bûrning within us, while he spoke to us along the way, and while he opened the Scriptureş to us?" 33 They rose up that very hour, retûrned to Jeruşalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and those who were with them, 34 saying, "Our Master is risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" 35 They related the things that happened along the way, and how he was recognized by them in the breaking of the bread.

- 36 As they said these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace be to you."
- 37 But **th**ey were terrified and filled wi**th** fear, and supposed **th**at **th**ey had seen a spirit.
- 38 He said to **th**em, "Why are you troubled? Why de doubts arise in your hearts? 39 See my hands and my feet, that it is truly me. Touch me and see, for a spirit doesn't have flesh and bones, as you see that I have." 40 When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. 41 While they still didn't believe for joy, and wondered, he said to them, "Do you have anything here to eat?"
- 42 They gave him a piece of a broiled fish and some honeycomb. 43 He took them, and ate in front of them. 44 He said to them, "This is what I told you, while I was still with you, that all things which are written in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms, concerning me must be fulfilled."
- 45 Then he opened their minds, that they might understand the Scriptures. 46 He said to them, "Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, 47 and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning at Jerusalem. 48 You are witnesses of these things. 49 Behold, I send out the promise of my Fäther on you. But wait in the city of Jerusalem until you are clothed with power from on high."
- 50 He led **th**em **o**ut as f**ä**r as Be**th**any, and he lifted up his hand**s**, and blesse**d th**em. 51 While he blesse**d th**em, he wi**th**drew from **th**em, and was carried up into heaven. 52 **Th**ey w**ô**rshipe**d** him, and ret**û**rned to Jeru**s**alem wi**th** great joy, 53 and were c**o**ntinually in the temple, praising and blessing **Elohim**. Amen.

THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

John 1

In the beginning was the Wôrd, and the Wôrd was with Elohim, and Elohim was that Wôrd. 2 The same was in the beginning with Elohim. 3 All things were made through him. Without him was not anything made that has been made. 4 In him was life, and the life was the light of men. 5 The light shines in the därkness, and the därkness hasn't overcome it. 6 There came a man, sent from Elohim, whese name was John. 7 The same came as a witness, that he might testify about the light, that all might believe through him. 8 He was not the light, but was sent that he might testify about the light. 9 The true light that enlightens everyone was coming into the wôrld.

10 He was in the wôrld, and the wôrld was made through him, and the wôrld didn't recognize him. 11 He came to his own, and those who were his own didn't receive him. 12 But as many as received him, to them he gave the right to become the children of Elohim, to those who believe in his name: 13 who were born not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of Elohim. 14 The Word became flesh, and lived among us. We saw his glory, such glory as of the one and only Son of the Fäther, full of grace and truth. 15 John testified about him. He cried out, saying, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me has sûrpassed me, for he was before me." 16 From his fullness we all received grace upon grace. 17 For the law was given through Moses. Grace and truth were realized through Jesus Christ. 18 No one has seen Elohim at any time. The one and only Son, who is in the bosom of the Fäther, he has declared him.

- 19 **Th**is is John's testim**o**ny, when the Jews sent pri**e**sts and Levites from Jerusalem to **ä**sk him, "Who are you?"
- 20 He declared, and didn't deny, but he declared, "I am not the Christ."
- 21 They äsked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not."
- "Are you the prophet?" He answered, "No."
- 22 **Th**ey said **th**erefore to him, "Who are you? Give us an answer to take back to **those** who sent us. What do you say about yourself?"
- 23 He said, "I am the voiçe of one crying in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the YAHWEH, as Işaiah the prophet said."
- 24 The ones who had been sent were from the Pharisees. 25 They äsked him, "Why then do you baptize, if you are not the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?"
- 26 John answered **th**em, "I baptize in wåter, but among you stands one whom you don't know. 27 He is the one who comes after me, who is preferred before me, whose sandal strap I'm not wôrthy to loosen." 28 **These th**ings were done in Bethany beyond the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

29 The next day, he saw Jeşuş coming to him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of Elohim, who takes away the sin of the world! 30 This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who is preferred before me, for he was before me.' 31 I didn't know him, but for this reason I came baptizing in water: that he would be revealed to Işrael." 32 John testified, saying, "I have seen the Spirit desçending like a dove out of heaven, and it remained on him. 33 I didn't recognize him, but he who sent me to baptize in water, he said to me, 'On whomever you will see the Spirit desçending, and remaining on him, the same is he who baptizes in the Holy Spirit.' 34 I have seen, and have testified that this is the Son of Elohim."

35 Again, the next day, John was standing with two of his disciples, 36 and he looked at Jesus as he walked, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of Elohim!" 37 The two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus. 38 Jesus turned, and saw them following, and said to them, "What are you looking for?"

They said to him, "Rabbi" (which is to say, being interpreted, Teacher), "where are you staying?"

39 He said to **th**em, "Come, and see."

They came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day. It was about the tenth hour. 40 One of the two who heard John, and followed him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. 41 He first found his own brother, Simon, and said to him, "We have found the Messiah!" (which is, being interpreted, Christ. 42 He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him, and said, "You are Simon the son of Jonah. You shall be called Cephas" (which is by interpretation, Peter). 43 On the next day, he was determined to go out into Galilee, and he found Philip. Jesus said to him, "Follow me." 44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, of the city of Andrew and Peter. 45 Philip found Nathanael, and said to him, "We have found him, of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets, wrote: Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph."

46 Nathanael said to him, "Can any good thing come out of Nazareth?"

Philip said to him, "Come and see."

47 Jeşuş såw Nathanael coming to him, and said about him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no deceit!"

48 Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?"

Jeşuş answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you."

49 Na**th**anael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of **Elohim!** You are King of Işrael!"

50 Jeşuş answered him, "Because I told you, 'I såw you underneath the fig tree, do you believe? You will see greater things than these!" 51 He said to him, "Most çêrtainly, I tell you, hereäfter you will see heaven opened, and the angels of Elohim ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

John 2

The third day, there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee. Jeşuş' mother was there. 2 Jeşuş ålso was invited, with his disciples, to the marriage. 3 When the wine ran out, Jeşuş' mother said to him, "They have no wine."

4 Jeşuş said to her, "Woman, what doeş that have to do with you and me? My hour has not yet come."

there were six water pots of stone set there after the Jews' way of purifying, containing two or three metretes apiece. 7 Jesus said to them, "Fill the water pots with water." They filled them up to the brim. 8 He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the ruler of the feast." So they took it. 9 When the ruler of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and didn't know where it came from (but the servants who had drawn the water knew), the ruler of the feast called the bridegroom, 10 and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and when the guests have drunk freely, then that which is worse. You have kept the good wine until now!" 11 This beginning of his signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

12 After this, he went down to Capernaum, he, and his mother, his brothers, and his disciples; and they stayed there a few days. 13 The Pässover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 14 He found in the temple those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, and the

changers of money sitting. 15 He made a whip of cords, and threw all out of the temple, both the sheep and the oxen; and he poured out the

changerş' money, and overthrew their tables. 16 To those who sold the doves, he said, "Take these things out of here! Don't make my Fäther's

house a märketplace!" 17 His disciples remembered **th**at it was written, "Zeal for your house will eat me up."

18 The Jewş therefore answered him, "What sign de you show us, seeing that you de these things?"

19 Jeşuş answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."

20 The Jews therefore said, "It took forty-six years to build this temple! Will you raise it up in three days?" 21 But he spoke of the temple of his body. 22 When

therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he said this, and they believed the Scripture, and the word which Jesus had said.

23 Now when he was in Jeruşalem at the Pässover, during the feast, many believed in his name, obşêrving his signş which he did. 24 But Jeşuş didn't trust himself to them, becauşe he knew everyone, 25 and becauşe he didn't need for anyone to testify conçêrning man; for he himself knew what was in man.

John 3

Now there was a man of the **Pharisees** named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. 2 The same came to him by night, and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from **Elohim**, for no one can do these signs that you do, unless **Elohim** is with him."

3 Jeşuş answered him, "Most çêrtainly, I tell you, unless one is born anew, he cän't see the Kingdom of **Elohim**."

4 Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb, and be born?"

5 Jeşuş answered, "Most çêrtainly I tell you, unless one is born of water and spirit, he can't enter into the kingdom of **Elohim!** 6 **Th**at which is born of the flesh is flesh. **Th**at which is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7 Don't marvel **th**at I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8 The wind blows where it wants to, and you hear its sound, but don't know where it comes from and where it is going. So is everyone where is born of the Spirit."

9 Nicodemus answered him, "How can these things be?"

10 Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Işrael, and don't understand these things? 11 Most çêrtainly I tell you, we speak that which we know, and testify of that which we have seen, and you don't receive our witness. 12 If I told you êarthly things and you don't believe, how will you believe if I tell you heavenly things? 13 No one has ascended into heaven,

but he whe descended out of heaven, the Son of Man, who is in heaven. 14 As Moşeş lifted up the sêrpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, 15 that who ever believes in him should not perish, but have etêrnal life. 16 For Elohim so loved the world, that he gave his one and only Son, that who ever believes in him should not perish, but have etêrnal life. 17 For Elohim didn't send his Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world should be saved through him. 18 He who believes in him is not judged. He who doeşn't believe has been judged ålready, because he has not believed in the name of the one and only Son of Elohim. 19 This is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and men loved the därkness räther than the light; for their works were evil. 20 For everyone who does evil hates the light, and doesn't come to the light, lest his works would be exposed. 21 But he who does the truth

comes to the light, that his works may be revealed, that they have been done in Elohim "

22 After these things, Jesus came with his disciples into the land of Judea. He stayed there with them, and baptized. 23 John also was baptizing in Enon near Salim, because there was much water there. They came, and were baptized. 24 For John was not yet thrown into prison. 25 There arose therefore a questioning on the part of John's disciples with some Jews about purification. 26 They came to John, and said to him, "Rabbi, he who was with you beyond the Jordan, to whom you have testified, behold, the same baptizes, and everyone is coming to him."

27 John answered, "A man can receive nothing, unless it has been given him from heaven. 28 You yourselves testify that I said, 'I am not the Christ, but, 'I have been sent before him.' 29 He who has the bride is the bridegroom; but the friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly because of the bridegroom's voice. This, my joy, therefore is made full. 30 He must increase, but I must decrease. 31 He who comes from above is above all. He who is from the earth belongs to the earth, and speaks of the earth. He who comes from heaven is above all. 32 What he has seen and heard, of that he testifies; and no one receives his witness. 33 He who has received his witness has set his seal to this, that Elohim is true. 34 For he whom Elohim has sent speaks the words of Elohim; for Elohim gives the Spirit without measure. 35 The Fäther loves

the Son, and has given all things into his hand. 36 One who believes in the Son has eternal life, but one who disobeys the Son won't see life, but the wräth of Elohim remains on him."

John 4

The Pharisees had heard that Jesus was making and baptizing more disciples than 2 (although Jesus himself didn't baptize, but his disciples). 3 He left Judea, and departed into Galilee. 4 He needed to pass through Samaria. 5 So he came to a city of Samaria, called Sychar, near the parcel of ground that Jacob gave to his son, Joseph. 6 Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being tired from his joûrney, sat down by the well. It was about the sixth hour. 7 A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." 8 For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.

9 The Samaritan woman **th**erefore said to him, "How is it **th**at you, being a Jew, äsk for a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.)

10 Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of **Elohim**, and whe it is whe says to you, 'Give me a drink, you woù/d have äsked him, and he woù/d have given you living water."

- 11 The woman said to him, "Sîr, you have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. So where do you get that living water? 12 Are you greater than our father, Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank of it himself, as did his children, and his livestock?"
- 13 Jeşuş answered her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again, 14 but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never thirst again; but the water that I will give him will become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life."
- 15 The woman said to him, "Sîr, give me **th**is water, so **th**at I don't get **th**irsty, neither come all the way here to draw."
- 16 Jeşuş said to her, "Go, cåll your huşband, and come here."
- 17 The woman answered, "I have no huşband."
- Jeşuş said to her, "You said well, 'I have no huşband,' 18 for you have had five huşbandş; and he whem you now have is not your huşband. This you have said truly."
- 19 The woman said to him, "Sîr, I pêrçeive that you are a prophet. 20 Our fäthers wôrshiped in this mountain, and you Jews say that in Jeruşalem is the place where people ought to worship."
- 21 Jeşuş said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour comes, when neither in this mountain, nor in Jeruşalem, will you worship the Fäther. 22 You worship that which you don't know. We worship that which we know; for salvation is from the Jews. 23 But the hour comes, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Fäther in spirit and truth, for the Fäther
- seeks such to be his wôrshiperş.24 Elohim is spirit, and those who wôrship him must wôrship in spirit and truth."
- 25 The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah comes, he who is called Christ. When he has come, he will declare to us all things."
- 26 Jeşuş said to her, "I am he, the one who speaks to you." 27 At this, his disciples came. They marveled that he was speaking with a woman; yet no one said, "What are you looking for?" or, "Why do you speak with her?" 28 So the woman left her water pot, and went away into the city, and said to the people, 29 "Come, see a man who told me everything that I did. Can this be the Christ?"
- 30 **Th**ey went of the **ç**ity, and were coming to him. 31 In the meanwhile, the dis**ç**iple**ş** ûrged him, saying, "Rabbi, eat."
- 32 But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you don't know about."

33 The disciples therefore said to one another, "Has anyone brought him something to eat?"

34 Jeşuş said to them, "My feed is to de the will of him whe sent me, and to accomplish his work. 35 Don't you say, 'There are yet four months until the härvest? Behold, I tell you, lift up your eyeş, and look at the fields, that they are white for härvest ålready. 36 He whe reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit to eternal life; that both he whe sows and he whe reaps may rejoice together. 37 For in this the saying is true, 'One sows, and another reaps.' 38 I sent you to reap that for which you haven't labored. others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

39 From that city many of the Samaritans believed in him because of the word of the woman, who testified, "He told me everything that I did." 40 So when the Samaritans came to him, they begged him to stay with them. He stayed there two days. 41 Many more believed because of his word. 42 They said to the woman, "Now we believe, not because of your speaking; for we have heard for ourselves, and know that this is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world."

43 After the two days he went out from there and went into Galilee. 44 For Jeşuş himself testified that a prophet has no honor in his own country. 45 So when he came into Galilee, the Galileans received him, having seen all the things that he did in Jeruşalem at the feast, for they also went to the feast. 46 Jeşuş came therefore again to Cana of Galilee, where he made the water into wine. There was a certain nobleman whese son was sick at Capernaum. 47 When he heard that Jeşuş had come out of Judea into Galilee, he went to him, and begged him that he would come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death. 48 Jeşuş therefore said to him, "Unless you see signs and wonders, you will in no way believe."

49 The nobleman said to him, "Sîr, come down before my child dies." 50 Jeşuş said to him, "Go your way. Your son lives." The man believed the word that Jeşuş spoke to him, and he went his way. 51 As he was now going down, his servants met him and reported, saying "Your child lives!" 52 So he inquired of them the hour when he began to get better. They said therefore to him, "Yesterday at the seventh hour, the fever left him." 53 So the father knew that it was at that hour in which Jeşuş said to him, "Your son lives." He believed, as did his whole house. 54 This is again the second sign that Jeşuş did, having come out of Judea into Galilee.

John 5

After these things, there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 2 New in Jerusalem by the sheep gate, there is a peel, which is called in Hebrew, "Bethesda", having five porches. 3 In these lay a great multitude of those who were sick, blind, lame, or paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water; 4 for an angel went down at certain times into the peel, and stirred up the water. Whoever stepped in first after the stirring of the

wåter was healed of whatever dişeaşe he had. 5 A çêrtain man was there, whe had been sick for thirty-eight yearş. 6 When Jeşuş såw him lying there, and knew that he had been sick for a long time, he äsked him, "Do you want to be made well?"

7 The sick man answered him, "Sîr, I have no one to put me into the peel when the water is stîrred up, but while I'm coming, another steps down before me."

8 Jeşuş said to him, "Arişe, take up your mat, and walk."

9 Immediately, the man was made well, and took up his mat and walked.

Now it was the Sabbath on that day. 10 So the Jews said to him who was cured, "It is the Sabbath. It is not lawful for you to carry the mat."

- 11 He answered **th**em, "He whe made me well, the same said to me, 'Take up your mat, and walk.'"
- 12 **Th**en **th**ey **ä**ske**d** him, "Wh**⊕** is the man wh**⊕** said to you, 'T**a**ke up y**o**ur mat, and walk'?"
- 13 But he who was healed didn't know who it was, for Jeşuş had withdrawn, a crowd being in the place.
- 14 äfterward Jeşuş found him in the temple, and said to him, "Behold, you are made well. Sin no more, so that nothing worse happens to you."
- 15 The man went away, and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well. 16 For this cause the Jews persecuted Jesus, and sought to kill him, because he did these things on the Sabbath. 17 But Jesus answered them, "My Fäther is still working, so I am working, too." 18 For this cause therefore the Jews sought all the more to kill him, because he not only broke the Sabbath, but also called Elohim his own Fäther, making himself equal with Elohim. 19 Jesus therefore answered them, "Most certainly, I tell you, the Son can do nothing of himself, but what he sees the Fäther doing. For whatever things he does, these the Son also does likewise. 20 For the Fäther has affection for the Son, and shows him all things that he himself does. He will show him greater works than these, that you may marvel. 21 For as the Fäther raises the dead and gives them life, even so the Son also gives life to whom he desires. 22 For the Fäther judges no one, but he has given all judgment to the Son, 23 that all may honor the Son, even as they honor the Fäther. He who doesn't honor the Son doesn't honor the Fäther who sent him.
- 24 "Most çêrtainly I tell you, he who hears my word, and believes him who sent me, has etêrnal life, and doesn't come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life. 25 Most çêrtainly, I tell you, the hour comes, and now is, when the dead will hear the Son of Elohim's voice; and those who hear will live. 26 For as the Fäther has life in himself, even so he gave to the Son also to have life in himself.27 He also gave him authority to execute judgment, because he is a son of man.28 Don't märvel at this, for the hour comes, in which all

that are in the tembs will hear his voice, 29 and will come out; those whe have done good, to the resurrection of life; and those whe have done evil, to the resurrection of judgment. 30 I can of myself do nothing. As I hear, I judge, and my judgment is righteous; because I don't seek my own will, but the will of my Fäther who sent me.

31 "If I testify about myself, my witness is not valid. 32 It is another who testifies about me. I know that the testimony which he testifies about me is true. 33 You have sent to John, and he has testified to the truth. 34 But the testimony which I receive is not from man. However, I say these things that you may be saved.35 He was the bûrning and shining lamp, and you were willing to rejoice for a while in his light. 36 But the testimony which I have is greater than that of John, for the works which the Fäther gave me to accomplish, the very works that I do, testify about me, that the Fäther has sent me. 37 The Fäther himself, who sent me, has testified about me. You have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his form. 38 You don't have his word living in you; because you don't believe him whom he sent.

39 "You search the Scriptures, because you think that in them you have eternal life; and these are they which testify about me. 40 Yet you will not come to me, that you may have life. 41 I don't receive glory from men. 42 But I know you, that you don't have the love of Elohim in yourselves. 43 I have come in my Fäther's name, and you don't receive me. If another comes in his own name, you will receive him.44 How can you believe, who receive glory from one another, and you don't seek the glory that comes from the only Elohim?

45 "Don't think that I will accuse you to the Fäther. There is one who accuses you, even Moses, on whom you have set your hope. 46 For if you believed Moses, you would believe me; for he wrote about me. 47 But if you don't believe his writings, how will you believe my words?"

John 6

After these things, Jesus went away to the other side of the sea of Galilee, which is also called the Sea of Tiberias. 2 A great multitude followed him, because they saw his signs which he did on those who were sick. 3 Jesus went up into the mountain, and he sat there with his disciples. 4 Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. 5 Jesus therefore lifting up his eyes, and seeing that a great multitude was coming to him, said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread, that these may eat?" 6 This he said to test him, for he himself knew what he would do.

7 Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii wôrth of bread is not sufficient for them, that everyone of them may receive a little."

8 One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 9 "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are these among so many?"

10 Jeşuş said, "Have the people sit down." Now there was much gräss in that place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. 11 Jeşus took the loaveş; and having given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to those who were sitting down; likewise also of the fish as much as they desired. 12 When they were filled, he said to his disciples, "Gather up the broken pieces which are left over, that nothing be lost." 13 So they gathered them up, and filled twelve bäskets with broken pieces from the five bärley loaves, which were left over by those who had eaten. 14 When therefore the people saw the sign which Jeşuş did, they said, "This is truly the prophet who comes into the world." 15 Jeşuş therefore, pêrçeiving that they were about to come and take him by force, to make him king, withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

16 When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, 17 and they entered into the boat, and were going over the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not come to them. 18 The sea was tossed by a great wind blowing. 19 When therefore they had rowed about twenty-five or thirty stadia, they saw Jesus wakking on the sea, and drawing near to the boat; and they were afraid. 20 But he said to them, "It is I. Don't be afraid." 21 They were willing therefore to receive him into the boat. Immediately the boat was at the land where they were going.

22 On the next day, the multitude that stood on the other side of the sea saw that there was no other boat there, except the one in which his disciples had embärked, and that Jesus hadn't entered with his disciples into the boat, but his disciples had gone away alone. 23 However boats from Tiberias came near to the place where they are the bread after the Lord had given thanks. 24 When the multitude therefore saw that Jesus wasn't there, nor his disciples, they themselves got into the boats, and came to Capernaum, seeking Jesus. 25 When they found him on the other side of the sea, they asked him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?"

26 Jeşuş answered them, "Most çêrtainly I tell you, you seek me, not becauşe you saw signs, but becauşe you ate of the loaves, and were filled. 27 Don't work for the feed which perishes, but for the feed which remains to etêrnal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For Elohim the Fäther has sealed him."

- 28 They said therefore to him, "What must we do, that we may work the works of Elohim?"
- 29 Jeşuş answered them, "This is the work of Elohim, that you believe in him whom he has sent."
- 30 They said therefore to him, "What then do you do for a sign, that we may see, and believe you? What work do you do? 31 Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness. As it is written, 'He gave them bread out of heaven to eat.'"

- 32 Jeşuş therefore said to them, "Most çêrtainly, I tell you, it waşn't Moşeş who gave you the bread out of heaven, but my Fäther giveş you the true bread out of heaven. 33 For the bread of **Elohim** is that which comeş down out of heaven, and giveş life to the world."
- 34 They said therefore to him, "Our Master, always give us this bread."
- 35 Jeşuş said to them, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will not be hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty. 36 But I told you that you have seen me, and yet you don't believe. 37 All those whom the Fäther gives me will come to me. He who comes to me I will in no way throw out. 38 For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me.39 This is the will of my Fäther who sent me, that of all he has given to me I shoù/d leşe nothing, but shoù/d raise him up at the läst day. 40 This is the will of the one who sent me, that everyone who sees the Son, and believes in him, shoù/d have etêrnal life; and I will raise him up at the läst day."
- 41 The Jews therefore murmured conçêrning him, because he said, "I am the bread which came down out of heaven." 42 They said, "Isn't this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose fäther and mother we know? How then does he say, 'I have come down out of heaven?'"
- 43 Therefore Jeşuş answered them, "Don't mûrmur among yourselveş. 44 No one can come to me unless the Fäther who sent me draws him, and I will raise him up in the läst day. 45 It is written in the prophets, 'They will all be taught by Elohim. Therefore everyone who hears from the Fäther, and has learned, comes to me. 46 Not that anyone has seen the Fäther, except he who is from Elohim. He has seen the Fäther. 47 Most certainly, I tell you, he who believes in me has eternal life. 48 I am the bread of life. 49 Your fäthers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. 50 This is the bread which comes down out of heaven, that anyone may eat of it and not die. 51 I am the living bread which came down out of heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. Yes, the bread which I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."
- 52 The Jewş therefore contended with one another, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?"
- 53 Jeşuş therefore said to them, "Most çêrtainly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you don't have life in yourselves. 54 He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has etêrnal life, and I will raise him up at the läst day. 55 For my flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. 56 He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me, and I in him. 57 As the living Fäther sent me, and I live because of the Fäther; so he who feeds on me, he will also live because of me. 58 This is the bread which came down out of heaven—not as our fäthers ate the manna, and died. He who eats this bread will live forever."59 He said these things in the synagogue, as he taught in Capernaum.

60 Therefore many of his disciples, when they heard this, said, "This is a hard saying! Who can listen to it?"

61 But Jeşuş knowing in himself that his disçipleş mûrmured at this, said to them, "Does this cauşe you to stumble? 62 Then what if you would see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? 63 It is the spirit who giveş life. The flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and are life. 64 But there are some of you who don't believe." For Jeşuş knew from the beginning who they were who didn't believe, and who it was who would betray him. 65 He said, "For this cauşe have I said to you that no one can come to me, unless it is given to him by my Fäther."

66 At **th**is, many of his dis**çi**ple**ş** went back, and w**å**/ke**d** no m**o**re wi**th** him. 67 Jeşuş said **th**eref**o**re to the twelve, "You don't **å**lso w**a**nt to go away, don't vou?"

68 Simon Peter answered him, "My Master, to when would we go? You have the words of eternal life. 69 We have come to believe and know that you are the Christ, the Son of the living Elohim."

70 Jeşuş answered them, "Didn't I cheeşe you, the twelve, and one of you is a devil?" 71 New he spoke of Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, for it was he who would be tray him, being one of the twelve.

John 7

After these things, Jesus was wakking in Galilee, for he wouldn't wakk in Judea, because the Jews sought to kill him. 2 Now the feast of the Jews, the Feast of Beeths, was at hand. 3 His brothers therefore said to him, "Depart from here, and go into Judea, that your disciples also may see your works which you do. 4 For no one does anything in secret, and himself seeks to be known openly. If you do these things, reveal yourself to the world." 5 For even his brothers didn't believe in him.

6 Jeşuş therefore said to them, "My time haş not yet come, but your time is alwayş ready. 7 The world can't hate you, but it hates me, becauşe I testify about it, that its works are evil. 8 You go up to the feast. I am not yet going up to this feast, becauşe my time is not yet fulfilled."

9 Having said **these th**ings to **them**, he stayed in Galilee. 10 But when his brothers had gone up to the feast, **then** he also went up, not publicly, but as it were in secret. 11 The Jews therefore sought him at the feast, and said, "Where is he?" 12 **There** was much murmuring among the multitudes concerning him. Some said, "He is a good man." others said, "Not so, but he leads the multitude astray." 13 Yet no one spoke openly of him for fear of the Jews. 14 But when it was now the middle of the feast, Jesus went up

into the temple and taught. 15 The Jews therefore märveled, saying, "How does this man know letters, having never been educated?"

- 16 Jeşuş therefore answered them, "My teaching is not mine, but his who sent me. 17 If anyone deşireş to do his will, he will know about the teaching, whether it is from **Elohim**, or if I am speaking from myself. 18 He who speaks from himself seeks his own glory, but he who seeks the glory of him who sent him is true, and no unrighteousness is in him. 19 Didn't Moşeş give you the law, and yet none of you keeps the law? Why do you seek to kill me?"
- 20 The multitude answered, "You have a demon! Who seeks to kill you?"
- 21 Jeşuş answered them, "I did one work, and you all marvel becauşe of it. 22 Moşeş haş given you cîrcumçişion (not that it is of Moşeş, but of the fathers), and on the Sabbath you cîrcumçişe a boy. 23 If a boy reçeiveş cîrcumçişion on the Sabbath, that the law of Moşeş may not be broken, are you angry with me, becauşe I made a man completely healthy on the Sabbath? 24 Don't judge according to appearance, but judge righteous judgment."
- 25 Therefore some of them of Jeruşalem said, "Isn't this he whom they seek to kill? 26 Behold, he speaks openly, and they say nothing to him. Can it be that the rulers indeed know that this is truly the Christ? 27 However we know where this man comes from, but when the Christ comes, no one will know where he comes from."
- 28 Jeşuş therefore cried out in the temple, teaching and saying, "You both know me, and know where I am from. I have not come of myself, but he who sent me is true, whom you don't know. 29 I know him, becauşe I am from him, and he sent me."
- 30 They sought therefore to take him; but no one laid a hand on him, because his hour had not yet come. 31 But of the multitude, many believed in him. They said, "When the Christ comes, he won't do more signs than those which this man has done, will he?" 32 The Pharisees heard the multitude murmuring these things concerning him, and the chief priests and the Pharisees sent officers to arrest him.
- 33 **Th**en Jeşuş said, "I will be wi**th** you a little while longer, **th**en I go to him who sent me. 34 You will seek me, and won't find me; and where I am, you can't come."
- 35 The Jews therefore said among themselves, "Where will this man go that we won't find him? Will he go to the Dispersion among the Greeks, and teach the Greeks? 36 What is this word that he said, 'You will seek me, and won't find me; and where I am, you can't come'?"
- 37 New on the läst and greatest day of the feast, Jeşuş stood and cried out, "If anyone is **th**irsty, let him come to me and drink! 38 He who believes in me, as the Scripture has said, from within him will flow rivers of living water." 39 But he

said **th**is about the Spirit, whi**ch thos**e believing in him were to receive. For the Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus wasn't yet glorified.

40 Many of the multitude therefore, when they heard these words, said, "This is truly the prophet." 41 others said, "This is the Christ." But some said, "What, does the Christ come out of Galilee? 42 Hasn't the Scripture said that the Christ comes of the offspring of David, and from Bethlehem, the village where David was?" 43 So there arose a division in the multitude because of him. 44 Some of them would have arrested him, but no one laid hands on him. 45 The officers therefore came to the chief priests and Pharisees, and they said to them, "Why didn't you bring him?"

46 The officers answered, "No man ever spoke like this man!"

47 The Pharisees therefore answered them, "You ären't also led astray, are you? 48 Have any of the rulers believed him, or of the Pharisees? 49 But this multitude that doesn't know the Torah is accursed."

50 Nicodemus (he who came to him by night, being one of them) said to them, 51 "Does our Torah judge a man, unless it first hears from him personally and knows what he does?"

52 **Th**ey answered him, "Are you **å**lso from Galilee? S**ê**ar**ch**, and see **th**at no pro**ph**et has arisen out of Galilee."

53 Everyone went to his own house,

John 8

But Jeşuş went to the Mount of Oliveş. 2 New very êarly in the morning, he came again into the temple, and all the people came to him. He sat down, and taught them. 3 The scribeş and the Phariseeş brought a woman taken in adultery. Having set her in the middle, 4 they told him, "Teacher, we found this woman in adultery, in the very act. 5 New in our Torah, Moseş commanded us to stone such women. What then do you say about her?" 6 They said this testing him, that they might have something to accuse him of.

But Jeşuş steeped down, and wrote on the ground with his finger. 7 But when they continued asking him, he looked up and said to them, "He who is without sin among you, let him throw the first stone at her." 8 Again he steeped down, and with his finger wrote on the ground.

9 They, when they heard it, being convicted by their conscience, went one by one, beginning from the oldest, even to the läst. Jeşuş was left alone with the woman where she was, in the middle. 10 Jeşuş, standing up, såw her and said, "Woman, where are your accusers? Did no one condemn you?"

11 She said, "No one, My Master."

Jeşuş said, "Neither de I condemn you. Go your way. From now on, sin no more."

- 12 Again, **therefore**, **Jeşuş** spoke to **them**, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows me will not wakk in the darkness, but will have the light of life."
- 13 The **Ph**aris**eeş th**eref**o**re said to him, "You testif**y** about y**o**urself. Y**o**ur testim**o**ny is not valid."
- 14 Jeşuş answered them, "Even if I testify about myself, my testimony is true, for I know where I came from, and where I am going; but you don't know where I came from, or where I am going. 15 You judge according to the flesh. I judge no one. 16 Even if I do judge, my judgment is true, for I am not alone, but I am with the Fäther who sent me. 17 It's also written in your law that the testimony of two people is valid. 18 I am one who testifies about myself, and the Fäther who sent me testifies about me."
- 19 They said therefore to him, "Where is your Fäther?"

Jeşuş answered, "You know neither me, nor my Fäther. If you knew me, you would know my Fäther also." 20 Jesus spoke these words in the treasury, as he taught in the temple. Yet no one arrested him, because his hour had not yet come. 21 Jesus said therefore again to them, "I am going away, and you will seek me, and you will die in your sins. Where I go, you can't come."

- 22 The Jews therefore said, "Will he kill himself, that he says, 'Where I am going, you can't come'?"
- 23 He said to **them**, "You are from ben**e**a**th**. I am from above. You are of **th**is world. I am not of **th**is world. 24 I said **therefore** to you **th**at you will die in your sins; for unless you believe **th**at I am he, you will die in your sins."
- 25 **Th**ey said **th**erefore to him, "Who are you?"

Jeşuş said to **th**em, "Just what I have been saying to you from the beginning. 26 I have many **th**ingş to speak and to judge conçêrning you. However he who sent me is true; and the **th**ingş which I hêard from him, **the**se I say to the world."

- 27 They didn't understand that he spoke to them about the Fäther. 28 Jeşuş therefore said to them, "When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am he, and I do nothing of myself, but as my Fäther tåught me, I say these things. 29 He who sent me is with me. The Fäther hasn't left me alone, for I always do the things that are pleasing to him."
- 30 As he spoke **these th**ings, many believed in him. 31 Jesus therefore said to **those** Jews who had believed him, "If you remain in my word, then you are truly my disciples. 32 You will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."

- 33 **Th**ey answered him, "We are **A**braham's offspring, and have never been in bondage to anyone. How do you say, 'You will be made free'?"
- 34 Jeşuş answered them, "Most çêrtainly I tell you, everyone who commits sin is the bondsêrvant of sin. 35 A bondsêrvant doeşn't live in the house forever. A son remains forever. 36 If therefore the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.37 I know that you are Abraham's offspring, yet you seek to kill me, because my word finds no place in you. 38 I say the things which I have seen with my Fäther; and you also do the things which you have seen with your fäther."
- 39 They answered him, "Our fäther is Abraham."

Jeşuş said to them, "If you were Abraham'ş children, you woù/d de the wôrks of Abraham. 40 But new you seek to kill me, a man whe haş told you the truth, which I hêard from Elohim. Abraham didn't de this. 41 You de the wôrks of your fäther." They said to him, "We were not born of sexual immorality. We have one Fäther, God."

- 42 Therefore Jeşuş said to them, "If Elohim were your fäther, you would love me, for I came out and have come from Elohim. For I haven't come of myself, but he sent me. 43 Why don't you understand my speech? Becauşe you can't hear my word.44 You are of your fäther, the devil, and you want to do the deşireş of your fäther. He was a murderer from the beginning, and doeşn't stand in the truth, becauşe there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks on his own; for he is a liar, and its fäther. 45 But becauşe I tell the truth, you don't believe me. 46 Which of you convicts me of sin? If I tell the truth, Why do you not believe me? 47 He who is of Elohim hears the words of Elohim. For this cause you don't hear, because you are not of Elohim."
- 48 **Th**en the Jews answered him, "Don't we say well **th**at you are a Samaritan, and have a demon?"
- 49 Jeşuş answered, "I don't have a demon, but I honor my Fäther, and you dishonor me. 50 But I don't seek my own glory. There is one who seeks and judges. 51 Most çêrtainly, I tell you, if a pêrson keeps my word, he will never see death."
- 52 **Th**en the Jews said to him, "New we know that you have a demon. Abraham died, and the prophets; and you say, 'If a man keeps my word, he will never taste of death.' 53 Are you greater than our fäther, Abraham, who died? The prophets died. Who do you make yourself out to be?"
- 54 Jeşuş answered, "If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say that he is our Elohim. 55 You have not known him, but I know him. If I said, 'I don't know him, I would be like you, a liar. But I know him, and keep his word. 56 Your father Abraham rejoiçed to see my day. He saw it, and was glad."

- 57 The Jews therefore said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?"
- 58 Jeşuş said to them, "Most çêrtainly, I tell you, before Abraham came into existençe, I AM."
- 59 Therefore they took up stones to throw at him, but Jesus was hidden, and went of the temple, having gone through the middle of them, and so passed by.

John 9

As he pässed by, he såw a man blind from bîrth. 2 His disçipleş äsked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?"

3 Jeşuş answered, "Neither did this man sin, nor his parents; but, that the works of Elohim might be revealed in him. 4 I must work the works of him who sent me, while it is day. The night is coming, when no one can work. 5 While I am in the world, I am the light of the world." 6 When he had said this, he spat on the ground, made mud with the saliva, anointed the blind man's eyeş with the mud, 7 and said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means "Sent"). So he went away, washed, and came back seeing. 8 The neighbors therefore, and those who saw that he was blind before, said, "Isn't this he who sat and begged?" 9 others were saying, "It is he." Still others were saying, "He looks like him."

He said, "I am he." 10 They therefore were äsking him, "How were your eyes opened?"

- 11 He answered, "A man called Jeşuş made mud, anointed my eyeş, and said to me, 'Go to the peel of Siloam, and wash.' So I went away and washed, and I reçeived sight."
- 12 Then they äsked him, "Where is he?"

He said, "I don't know."

- 13 They brought him who had been blind to the Pharisees. 14 It was a Sabbath when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. 15 Again therefore the Pharisees also asked him how he received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes, I washed, and I see."
- 16 Some therefore of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from Elohim, because he doesn't keep the Sabbath." others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" There was division among them. 17 Therefore they asked the blind man again, "What do you say about him, because he opened your eyes?"He said, "He is a prophet."
- 18 The Jews therefore did not believe conçêrning him, that he had been blind, and had reçeived his sight, until they called the parents of him who had

- re**çe**ived his sight, 19 and **ä**ske**d th**em, "Is **th**is your son, whom you say was born blind? How **th**en does he now see?"
- 20 His parents answered them, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; 21 but how he now sees, we don't know; or who opened his eyes, we don't know. He is of age. äsk him. He will speak for himself." 22 His parents said these things because they feared the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that if any man would confess him as Christ, he would be put of the synagogue. 23 Therefore his parents said, "He is of age. äsk him."
- 24 So **th**ey c**å**lled the man wh**e** was blind a sec**o**nd time, and said to him, "Give glory to **Elohim**. We know **th**at **th**is man is a sinner."
- 25 He therefore answered, "I don't know if he is a sinner. One thing I do know: that though I was blind, now I see."
- 26 **Th**ey said to him again, "What did he de to you? Hew did he open your eyes?"
- 27 He answered **th**em, "I told you already, and you didn't listen. Why do you want to hear it again? You don't also want to become his disciples, do you?"
- 28 **Th**ey insulted him and said, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. 29 We know that **Elohim** has spoken to Moses. But as for this man, we don't know where he comes from."
- 30 The man answered them, "How amazing! You don't know where he comes from, yet he opened my eyes. 31 We know that Elohim doesn't listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of Elohim, and does his will, he listens to him. 32 Since the world began it has never been heard of that anyone opened the eyes of someone born blind. 33 If this man were not from Elohim, he could do nothing."
- 34 They answered him, "You were altogether born in sins, and do you teach us?" They threw him out.
- 35 Jeşuş hêard that they had thrown him out, and finding him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Elohim?"
- 36 He answered, "Who is he, my Master, that I may believe in him?"
- 37 Jeşuş said to him, "You have both seen him, and it is he who speaks with you."
- 38 He said, "My Master, I believe!" and he wôrshiped him.
- 39 Jeşuş said, "I came into this world for judgment, that those who don't see may see; and that those who see may become blind."
- 40 Those of the Pharisees who were with him heard these things, and said to him, "Are we also blind?"

41 Jeşuş said to them, "If you were blind, you woù/d have no sin; but now you say, 'We see. Therefore your sin remains.

John 10

"Most çêrtainly, I tell you, one who doeşn't enter by the door into the sheep fold, but climbş up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. 2 But one who enters in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. 3 The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name, and leads them out. 4 Whenever he brings out his own sheep, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. 5 They will by no means follow a stranger, but will flee from him; for they don't know the voice of strangers." 6 Jesus spoke this parable to them, but they didn't understand what he was telling them.

7 Jeşuş therefore said to them again, "Most çêrtainly, I tell you, I am the sheep's door. 8 All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep didn't listen to them. 9 I am the door. If anyone enters in by me, he will be saved, and will go in and go out, and will find pasture. 10 The thief only comes to steal, kill, and destroy. I came that they may have life, and may have it abundantly. 11 I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. 12 He who is a hired hand, and not a shepherd, who doesn't own the sheep, sees the wolf coming, leaves the sheep, and flees. The wolf snatches the sheep, and scatters them. 13 The hired hand flees because he is a hired hand, and doesn't care for the sheep. 14 I am the good shepherd. I know my own, and I'm known by my own; 15 even as the Fäther knows me, and I know the Fäther. I lay down my life for the sheep. 16 I have other sheep, which are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will hear my voice. They will become one flock with one shepherd. 17 Therefore the Fäther loveş me, becauşe I lay down my life, that I may take it again. 18 No one takes it away from me, but I lay it down by myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. I received this commandment from my Fäther."

19 **Therefore** a division arose again among the Jews because of **these** words. 20 Many of **them** said, "He has a demon, and is insane! Why do you listen to him?" 21 others said, "**These** are not the sayings of one possessed by a demon. It isn't possible for a demon to open the eyes of the blind, is it?"

22 It was the Feast of the Dedication at Jeruşalem. 23 It was winter, and Jeşuş was wakking in the temple, in Solomon'ş porch. 24 The Jewş therefore came around him and said to him, "How long will you hold us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly."

25 Jeşuş answered them, "I told you, and you don't believe. The works that I do in my Fäther's name, these testify about me. 26 But you don't believe, because you are not of my sheep, as I told you. 27 My sheep hear my voice,

and I know them, and they follow me. 28 I give eternal life to them. They will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. 29 My Fäther, who has given them to me, is greater than all. No one is able to snatch them out of my Fäther's hand.30 I and the Fäther are one."

- 31 Therefore Jews took up stones again to stone him. 32 Jesus answered them, "I have shown you many good works from my Fäther. For which of those works do you stone me?"
- 33 The Jews answered him, "We don't stone you for a good work, but for blasphemy: because you, being a man, make yourself Elohim."
- 34 Jeşuş answered them, "Isn't it written in your Torah, 'I said, you are Elohim? 35 If he called them Elohim, to whem the word of Elohim came (and the Scripture can't be broken), 36 do you say of him whem the Father sanctified and sent into the world, 'You blaspheme, becauşe I said, 'I am the Son of Elohim?' 37 If I don't de the works of my Father, don't believe me. 38 But if I de them, though you don't believe me, believe the works; that you may know and believe that the Father is in me, and I in the Father."
- 39 **Th**ey sought again to seize him, and he went of **th**eir hand. 40 He went away again beyond the Jordan into the place where John was baptizing at first, and **th**ere he stayed. 41 Many came to him. **Th**ey said, "John indeed did no sign, but everything **th**at John said about **th**is man is true." 42 Many believed in him **th**ere.

John 11

Now a certain man was sick, Lazarus from Bethany, of the village of Mary and her sister, Märtha. 2 It was that Mary who had anointed Jesus with ointment, and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother, Lazarus, was sick. 3 The sisters therefore sent to him, saying, "Our Master, behold, he for whom you have great affection is sick." 4 But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This sickness is not to death, but for the glory of Elohim, that the Son of Elohim may be glorified by it." 5 Now Jesus loved Märtha, and her sister, and Lazarus. 6 When therefore he heard that he was sick, he stayed two days in the place where he was. 7 Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let's go into Judea again."

- 8 The disciples told him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just trying to stone you, and are you going there again?"
- 9 Jeşuş answered, "Aren't **there twelve** hourş of daylight? If a man wå/ks in the day, he doeşn't stumble, becauşe he seeş the light of **th**is wôrld. 10 But if a man wå/ks in the night, he stumbleş, becauşe the light işn't in him." 11 He said **theşe th**ingş, and after **th**at, he said to **them**, "Our friend, Lazarus, haş fållen asleep, but I am going so **th**at I may awake him out of sleep."

- 12 The dis**çi**ple**ş th**eref**o**re said, "Our Master, if he ha**ş** f**å**llen asl**ee**p, he will rec**o**ver."
- 13 New Jeşuş had spoken of his death, but they thought that he spoke of taking rest in sleep. 14 So Jeşuş said to them plainly then, "Lazarus is dead. 15 I am glad for your sakes that I was not there, so that you may believe. Nevertheless, let's go to him."
- 16 Thomas **therefore**, who is called Didymus, said to his fellow disciples, "Let's go also, that we may die with him."
- 17 So when Jeşuş came, he found that he had been in the tomb four dayş ålready.18 Now Bethany was near Jeruşalem, about fifteen stadia away. 19 Many of the Jewş had joined the women around Märtha and Mary, to console them conçerning their brother. 20 Then when Märtha heard that Jeşuş was coming, she went and met him, but Mary stayed in the houşe. 21 Therefore Märtha said to Jeşuş, "My Master, if you would have been here, my brother wouldn't have died. 22 Even now I know that, whatever you äsk of Elohim, Elohim will give you." 23 Jeşuş said to her, "Your brother will rişe again."
- 24 Märtha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection at the läst day."
- 25 Jeşuş said to her, "I am the reşurrection and the life. He who believes in me will still live, even if he dieş. 26 Who ever liveş and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"
- 27 She said to him, "Yes, my Master. I have come to believe **th**at you are the Christ, the Son of **Elohim**, he who comes into the world."
- 28 When she had said **th**is, she went away, and called Mary, her sister, secretly, saying, "The Teacher is here, and is calling you."
- 29 When she heard this, she arose quickly, and went to him. 30 Now Jesus had not yet come into the village, but was in the place where Märth met him. 31 Then the Jews who were with her in the house, and were consoling her, when they saw Mary, that she rose up quickly and went out, followed her, saying, "She is going to the tomb to weep there." 32 Therefore when Mary came to where Jesus was, and saw him, she fell down at his feet, saying to him, "My Master, if you would have been here, my brother wouldn't have died."
- 33 When Jeşuş therefore saw her weeping, and the Jewş weeping who came with her, he groaned in the spirit, and was troubled, 34 and said, "Where have you laid him?"

They told him, "My Master, come and see."

35 Jeşuş wept.

36 The Jews therefore said, "See how much affection he had for him!" 37 Some of them said, "Couldn't this man, who opened the eyes of him who was blind, have also kept this man from dying?"

38 Jeşuş therefore, again groaning in himself, came to the tomb. Now it was a cave, and a stone lay against it. 39 Jeşuş said, "Take away the stone."

Märtha, the sister of him who was dead, said to him, "My Master, by this time there is a stench, for he has been dead four days."

40 Jeşuş said to her, "Didn't I tell you **th**at if you believed, you woù/d see the glory of **Elohim**?"

41 So **th**ey **too**k away the stone from the place where the dead man was lying. Jeşuş lifted up his eyeş, and said, "Fäther, I **th**ank you **th**at you listened to me. 42 I know that you alwayş listen to me, but becauşe of the multitude that standş around I said **th**is, **th**at **th**ey may believe **th**at you sent me." 43 When he had said **th**is, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!"

44 He whe was dead came out, bound hand and foot with wrappings, and his face was wrapped around with a cloth.

Jeşuş said to them, "Free him, and let him go."

45 Therefore many of the Jews, who came to Mary and saw what Jesus did, believed in him. 46 But some of them went away to the Pharisees, and told them the things which Jesus had done. 47 The chief priests therefore and the Pharisees gathered a council, and said, "What are we doing? For this man does many signs. 48 If we leave him alone like this, everyone will believe in him, and the Romans will come and take away both our place and our nation."

49 But a çêrtain one of them, Caiaphas, being high priest that year, said to them, "You know nothing at all, 50 nor do you consider that it is advantageous for us that one man should die for the people, and that the whole nation not perish." 51 Now he didn't say this of himself, but being high priest that year, he prophesied that Jeşuş would die for the nation, 52 and not for the nation only, but that he might also gather together into one the children of Elohim who are scattered abroad. 53 So from that day forward they took counsel that they might put him to death. 54 Jeşuş therefore walked no more openly among the Jews, but depärted from there into the country near the wilderness, to a city called Ephraim. He stayed there with his disciples.

55 New the Pässover of the Jews was at hand. Many went up from the country to Jerusalem before the Pässover, to purify themselves. 56 Then they sought for Jesus and spoke one with another, as they stood in the temple, "What de you think—that he isn't coming to the feast at all?" 57 New the chief priests and the Pharisees had commanded that if anyone knew where he was, he shoù/d report it, that they might seize him.

John 12

Then six days before the Pässover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, who had been dead, whom he raised from the dead. 2 So they made him a supper there. Märtha sêrved, but Lazarus was one of those who sat at the table with him. 3 Mary, therefore, took a pound of ointment of pure nard, very precious, and anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped his feet with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the ointment. 4 Then Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, one of his disciples, who would betray him, said, 5 "Why wasn't this ointment sold for three hundred denarii, and given to the poor?" 6 Now he said this, not because he cared for the poor, but because he was a thief, and having the money box, used to steal what was put into it. 7 But Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She has kept this for the day of my burial. 8 For you always have the poor with you, but you don't always have me."

9 A lärge crowd therefore of the Jews lêarned that he was there, and they came, not for Jesus' sake only, but that they might see Lazarus ålso, whom he had raised from the dead. 10 But the chief priests conspired to put Lazarus to death ålso, 11 because on account of him many of the Jews went away and believed in Jesus.

12 On the next day a great multitude had come to the feast. When they heard that Jeşuş was coming to Jeruşalem, 13 they took the brancheş of the pä/m treeş, and went out to meet him, and cried out, "Hoşanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the King of Israel!"

14 Jeşuş, having found a young donkey, sat on it. As it is written, 15 "Don't be afraid, dåughter of Zion. Behold, your King comes, sitting on a donkey's colt." 16 His disciples didn't understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things were written about him, and that they had done these things to him. 17 The multitude therefore that was with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb, and raised him from the dead, was testifying about it. 18 For this cause also the multitude went and met him, because they heard that he had done this sign. 19 The Pharisees therefore said among themselves, "See how you accomplish nothing. Behold, the world has gone after him."

20 New there were cêrtain Greeks among those that went up to wôrship at the feast. 21 These, therefore, came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida of Galilee, and äsked him, saying, "Sîr, we want to see Jeşuş." 22 Philip came and told Andrew, and in tûrn, Andrew came with Philip, and they told Jeşuş. 23 Jeşuş answered them, "The time has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. 24 Most cêrtainly I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the êarth and dies, it remains by itself alone. But if it dies, it bears much fruit. 25 He who loves his life will lese it. He who hates his life in this world will keep it to etêrnal life. 26 If anyone sêrves me, let him follow me. Where I

am, **th**ere will m**y** sêrvant ålso be. If anyone sêrveş me, the Fäther will honor him.

27 "Now my soul is troubled. What shall I say? 'Fäther, save me from this time? But for this cause I came to this time. 28 Fäther, glorify your name!"

Then there came a voice out of the sky, saying, "I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again."

29 The multitude **th**eref**ô**re, wh**o** stood by and h**e**ard it, said **th**at it had **th**undered. others said, "An angel has spoken to him."

30 Jeşuş answered, "This voiçe haşn't come for my sake, but for your sakes.31 New is the judgment of this world. New the prince of this world will be cast out. 32 And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself."33 But he said this, signifying by what kind of death he should die. 34 The multitude answered him, "We have heard out of the law that the Christ remains forever. How do you say, 'The Son of Man must be lifted up?' Who is this Son of Man?"

35 Jeşuş therefore said to them, "Yet a little while the light is with you. Walk while you have the light, that darkness doeşn't overtake you. He who walks in the darkness doeşn't know where he is going. 36 While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become children of light." Jeşuş said theşe thingş, and he departed and hid himself from them. 37 But though he had done so many signş before them, yet they didn't believe in him, 38 that the word of light he prophet might be fulfilled, which he spoke,

"My Master, who has believed our report? To whom has the arm of **YAHWEH** been revealed?"

39 For this cause they couldn't believe, for Isaiah said again,

40 "He has blinded their eyes and he härdened their heärt, lest they shoù/d see with their eyes, and pêrçeive with their heärt, and woù/d tûrn, and I woù/d heal them."41 Isaiah said these things when he saw his glory, and spoke of him. 42 Nevertheless even of the rulers many believed in him, but because of the Pharisees they didn't confess it, so that they woù/dn't be put out of the synagogue, 43 for they loved men's praise more than Elohim's praise.

44 Jeşuş cried out and said, "Whoever believes in me, believes not in me, but in him who sent me. 45 He who sees me sees him who sent me. 46 I have come as a light into the world, that whoever believes in me may not remain in the därkness. 47 If anyone listens to my sayings, and doesn't believe, I don't judge him. For I came not to judge the world, but to save the world. 48 He who rejects me, and doesn't receive my sayings, has one who judges him. The word that I spoke, the same will judge him in the läst day. 49 For I spoke not from myself, but the Fäther who sent me, he gave me a commandment, what I shoù/d say, and what I shoù/d speak. 50 I know that his commandment is eternal life. The

things therefore which I speak, even as the Fäther has said to me, so I speak."

John 13

Now before the feast of the Pässover, Jeşuş, knowing that his time had come that he would depart from this world to the Fäther, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. 2 During supper, the devil having already put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him, 3 Jeşuş, knowing that the Fäther had given all things into his hands, and that he came from Elohim, and was going to Elohim, 4 arose from supper, and laid aside his outer gärments. He took a towel, and wrapped a towel around his waist. 5 Then he poured water into the basin, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him. 6 Then he came to Simon Peter. He said to him, "My Master, de you wash my feet?"

7 Jeşuş anwered him, "You don't know what I am deing new, but you will understand later."

8 Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet!"

Jeşuş answered him, "If I don't wash you, you have no part with me."

9 Simon Peter said to him, "My Master, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head!"

10 Jeşuş said to him, "Someone who has bathed only needs to have his feet washed, but is completely clean. You are clean, but not all of you." 11 For he knew him who would betray him, therefore he said, "You are not all clean." 12 So when he had washed their feet, put his outer garment back on, and sat down again, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? 13 You call me, 'Teacher' and Master. 14. You say so correctly, for so I am. 14 If I then, the Master and the Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. 15 For I have given you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. 16 Most certainly I tell you, a servant is not greater than his Master, neither one who is sent greater than he who sent him. 17 If you know these things, blessed are you if you de them. 18 I don't speak concerning all of you. I know whom I have chosen. But that the Scripture may be fulfilled, 'He who eats bread with me has lifted up his heel against me. 19 From now on, I tell you before it happens, that when it happens, you may believe that I am he. 20 Most cêrtainly I tell you, he who receives whomever I send, receives me; and he who receives me, receives him who sent me."

21 When Jeşuş had said this, he was troubled in spirit, and testified, "Most certainly I tell you that one of you will betray me."

22 The disciples looked at one another, perplexed about whom he spoke. 23 One of his disciples, whom Jesus loved, was at the table, leaning against Jesus'

breast. 24 Simon Peter **th**erefore beckoned to him, and said to him, "Tell us who it is of whom he speaks."

25 He, leaning back, as he was, on Jeşuş' breast, äsked him, "My Master, who is it?"

26 Jeşuş therefore answered, "It is he to whom I will give this pieçe of bread when I have dipped it." So when he had dipped the pieçe of bread, he gave it to Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot. 27 After the pieçe of bread, then Satan entered into him.

Then Jeşuş said to him, "What you de, de quickly."

28 New no man at the table knew why he said this to him. 29 For some thought, because Judas had the money box, that Jesus said to him, "Buy what things we need for the feast," or that he should give something to the poor. 30 Therefore having received that morsel, he went out immediately. It was night.

31 When he had gone out, Jeşuş said, "Now the Son of Man haş been glorified, and Elohim haş been glorified in him. 32 If Elohim haş been glorified in him, Elohim will also glorify him in himself, and he will glorify him immediately. 33 Little children, I will be with you a little while longer. You will seek me, and as I said to the Jewş, 'Where I am going, you can't come, so now I tell you. 34 A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also love one another. 35 By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

36 Simon Peter said to him, "My Master, where are you going?"

Jeşuş answered, "Where I am going, you can't follow now, but you will follow afterwards."

37 Peter said to him, "My Master, why can't I follow you now? I will lay down my life for you."

38 Jeşuş answered him, "Will you lay down your life for me? Most çêrtainly I tell you, the root town until you have denied me three times.

John 14

"Don't let your heart be troubled. Believe in **Elohim**. Believe ålso in me. 2 In my Fäther's house are many homes. If it weren't so, I would have told you. I am going to prepare a place for you. 3 If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and will receive you to myself; that where I am, you may be there also. 4 Where I go, you know, and you know the way."

5 Thomas said to him, "Our Master, we don't know where you are going. How can we know the way?"

6 Jeşuş said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comeş to the Fäther, except through me. 7 If you had known me, you would have known my Fäther ålso. From now on, you know him, and have seen him."

8 Philip said to him, "Our Master, show us the Fäther, and that will be enough for us."

9 Jeşuş said to him, "Have I been with you such a long time, and de you not know me, Philip? He who has seen me has seen the Fäther. How do you say, 'Show us the Fäther?' 10 Don't you believe that I am in the Fäther, and the Fäther in me? The words that I tell you, I speak not from myself; but the Fäther who lives in me does his works. 11 Believe me that I am in the Fäther, and the Fäther in me; or else believe me for the very works' sake. 12 Most certainly I tell you, he who believes in me, the works that I de, he will de also; and he will de greater works than these, because I am going to my Fäther. 13 Whatever you will ask in my name, that will I de, that the Fäther may be glorified in the Son. 14 If you will ask anything in my name, I will de it. 15 If you love me, keep my commandments. 16 I will pray to the Fäther, and he will give you another Counselor, that he may be with you forever, - 17 the Spirit of truth, whom the world can't receive; for it doesn't see him, neither knows him. You know him, for he lives with you, and will be in you. 18 I will not leave you orphans. I will come to you. 19 Yet a little while, and the world will see me no more; but you will see me. Because I live, you will live also. 20 In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. 21 One who has my commandments, and keeps them, that pêrson is one who loves me. One who loves me will be loved by my Fäther, and I will love him, and will reveal myself to him."

22 Judas (not Iscariot) said to him, "My Master, what has happened **th**at you are about to reveal yourself to us, and not to the world?"

23 Jeşuş answered him, "If a man loveş me, he will keep my wôrd. My Fäther will love him, and we will come to him, and make our home with him. 24 He who doeşn't love me doeşn't keep my wôrdş. The wôrd which you hear işn't mine, but the Fäther'ş who sent me. 25 I have said these things to you, while still living with you. 26 But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Fäther will send in my name, he will teach you all things, and will remind you of all that I said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you; not as the wôrld gives, give I to you. Don't let your heart be troubled, neither let it be fearful. 28 You heard how I told you, 'I go away, and I come to you. If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I said 'I am going to my Fäther; for the Fäther is greater than I. 29 Now I have told you before it happens so that, when it happens, you may believe. 30 I will no more speak much with you, for the prince of the world comes, and he has nothing in me. 31 But that the world may know that I love the Fäther, and as the Fäther commanded me, even so I do. Arise, let us go from here."

John 15

"I am the true vine, and my Fäther is the färmer. 2 Every branch in me that doesn't bear fruit, he takes away. Every branch that bears fruit, he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. 3 You are already pruned clean because of the word which I have spoken to you. 4 Remain in me, and I in you. As the branch can't bear fruit by itself, unless it remains in the vine, so neither can you, unless you remain in me. 5 I am the vine. You are the branches. He who remains in me, and I in him, the same bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. 6 If a man doesn't remain in me, he is thrown out as a branch, and is withered; and they gather them, throw them into the fire, and they are burned. 7 If you remain in me, and my words remain in you, you will ask whatever you desire, and it will be done for you.

8 "In this is my Fäther glorified, that you bear much fruit; and so you will be my disciples. 9 Even as the Fäther has loved me, I also have loved you. Remain in my love. 10 If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love; even as I have kept my Fäther's commandments, and remain in his love. 11 I have spoken these things to you, that my joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be made full.

12 "This is my commandment, that you love one another, even as I have loved you. 13 Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. 14 You are my friends, if you do whatever I command you. 15 No longer do I call you servants, for the servant doesn't know what his Master does. But I have called you friends, for everything that I heard from my Father, I have made known to you. 16 You didn't choose me, but I chose you, and appointed you, that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain; that whatever you will ask of the Father in my name, he may give it to you.

17 "I command these things to you, that you may love one another. 18 If the world hates you, you know that it has hated me before it hated you. 19 If you were of the world, the world would love its own. But because you are not of the world, since I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you. 20 Remember the word that I said to you: 'A servant is not greater than his Master. If they persecuted me, they will also persecute you. If they kept my word, they will keep yours also. 21 But all these things will they do to you for my name's sake, because they don't know him who sent me. 22 If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not have had sin; but now they have no excuse for their sin.23 He who hates me, hates my Father also. 24 If I hadn't done among them the works which no one else did, they wouldn't have had sin. But now have they seen and also hated both me and my Father. 25 But this happened so that the word may be fulfilled which was written in their Torah, 'They hated me without a cause.

26 "When the Counselor has come, whom I will send to you from the Fäther, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Fäther, he will testify about me. 27 You will also testify, because you have been with me from the beginning.

John 16

"These things have I spoken to you, so that you wouldn't be caused to stumble. 2 They will put you out of the synagogues. Yes, the time comes that wheever kills you will think that he offers service to Elohim. 3 They will de these things because they have not known the Fäther, nor me. 4 But I have told you these things, so that when the time comes, you may remember that I told you about them. I didn't tell you these things from the beginning, because I was with you. 5 But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' 6 But because I have told you these things, sorrow has filled your heart. 7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth: It is to your advantage that I go away, for if I don't go away, the Counselor won't come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. 8 When he has come, he will convict the world about sin, about righteousness, and about judgment; 9 about sin, because they don't believe in me; 10 about righteousness, because I am going to my Fäther, and you won't see me any more; 11 about judgment, because the prince of this world has been judged.

12 "I have yet many things to tell you, but you can't bear them now. 13 However when he, the Spirit of truth, has come, he will guide you into all truth, for he will not speak from himself; but whatever he hears, he will speak. He will declare to you things that are coming. 14 He will glorify me, for he will take from what is mine, and will declare it to you. 15 All things whatever the Father has are mine; therefore I said that he takes of mine, and will declare it to you. 16 A little while, and you will not see me. Again a little while, and you will see me."

17 Some of his disciples therefore said to one another, "What is this that he says to us, 'A little while, and you won't see me, and again a little while, and you will see me;' and, 'Because I go to the Father'?" 18 They said therefore, "What is this that he says, 'A little while'? We don't know what he is saying."

19 Therefore Jeşuş pêrçeived that they wanted to ask him, and he said to them, "Do you inquire among yourselves conçerning this, that I said, 'A little while, and you won't see me, and again a little while, and you will see me?' 20 Most çêrtainly I tell you, that you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoiçe. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will be tûrned into joy. 21 A woman, when she gives bîrth, has sorrow, because her time has come. But when she has delivered the child, she doesn't remember the anguish any more, for the joy that a human being is born into the world. 22 Therefore you now have sorrow, but I will see you again, and your heart will rejoiçe, and no one will take your joy away from you.

23 "In that day you will ask me no questions. Most certainly I tell you, whatever you may ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. 24 Until now, you have asked nothing in my name. ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be made full. 25 I have spoken these things to you in figures of speech. But the time is coming when I will no more speak to you in figures of speech, but will tell you plainly about the Father. 26 In that day you will ask in my name; and I don't say to you, that I will pray to the Father for you, 27 for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me, and have believed that I came from Elohim. 28 I came from the Father, and have come into the world. Again, I leave the world, and go to the Father."

29 His disciples said to him, "Behold, now you speak plainly, and speak no figures of speech. 30 Now we know that you know all things, and don't need for anyone to question you. By this we believe that you came from Elohim."

31 Jeşuş answered them, "Do you now believe? 32 Behold, the time is coming, yes, and has now come, that you will be scattered, everyone to his own place, and you will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, becauşe the Fäther is with me. 33 I have told you these things, that in me you may have peace. In the world you have oppression; but cheer up! I have overcome the world."

John 17

Jeşuş said theşe things, and lifting up his eyeş to heaven, he said, "Fäther, the time has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may also glorify you; 2 even as you gave him authority over all flesh, he will give eternal life to all whom you have given him. 3 This is eternal life, that they should know you, the only true Elohim, and him whom you sent, Jesus Christ. 4 I glorified you on the êarth. I have accomplished the work which you have given me to do. 5 Now, Fäther, glorify me with your own self with the glory which I had with you before the world existed. 6 I revealed your name to the people whom you have given me out of the world. They were yours, and you have given them to me. They have kept your word.7 Now they have known that all things whatever you have given me are from you, 8 for the words which you have given me I have given to them, and they received them, and knew for sure that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. 9 I pray for them. I don't pray for the wôrld, but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. 10 All things that are mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. 11 I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Fäther, keep them through your name which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are.12 While I was with them in the world, I kept them in your name. Those whom you have given me I have kept. None of them is lost, except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. 13 But now I come to you, and I say these things in the world, that they may have

my joy made full in themselves. 14 I have given them your word. The world hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. 15 I pray not that you would take them from the world, but that you would keep them from the evil one. 16 They are not of the world even as I am not of the wôrld. 17 Sanctify them in your truth. Your wôrd is truth. 18 As you sent me into the world, even so I have sent them into the world. 19 For their sakes myself, that they themselves also may be sanctified truth. 20 Not for these only do I pray, but for those also who believe in me through their word, 21 that they may all be one; even as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be one in us; that the world may believe that you sent me. 22 The glory which you have given me, I have given to them; that they may be one, even as we are one; 23 I in them, and you in me, that they may be perfected into one; that the world may know that you sent me, and loved them, even as you loved me. 24 Fäther, I desire that they also whom you have given me be with me where I am, that they may see my glory, which you have given me, for you loved me before the foundation of the wôrld. 25 Righteous Fäther, the wôrld haşn't known you, but I knew you; and these knew that you sent me. 26 I made known to them your name, and will make it known; that the love with which you loved me may be in them, and I in them."

John 18

When Jeşuş had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples over the brook Kidron, where there was a garden, into which he and his disciples entered. 2 Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, for Jeşuş often met there with his disciples. 3 Judas then, having taken a detachment of soldiers and officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, came there with lanterns, torches, and weapons. 4 Jeşuş therefore, knowing all the things that were happening to him, went out, and said to them, "Who are you looking for?"

5 They answered him, "Jesus of Nazareth."

Jeşuş said to them, "I am he."

Judas ålso, who betrayed him, was standing with them. 6 When therefore he said to them, "I am he," they went backward, and fell to the ground.

7 Again therefore he äsked them, "Who are you looking for?"

They said, "Jesus of Nazareth."

8 Jesus answered, "I told you that I am he. If therefore you seek me, let these go their way," 9 that the word might be fulfilled which he spoke, "Of those whom you have given me, I have lost none."

10 Simon Peter therefore, having a sword, drew it, and struck the high priest's servant, and cut off his right ear. The servant's name was Malchus. 11 Jeşuş therefore said to Peter, "Put the sword into its sheath. The cup which the Fäther has given me, shall I not surely drink it?"

12 So the detachment, the commanding officer, and the officers of the Jews, seized Jesus and bound him, 13 and led him to Annas first, for he was fäther-in-låw to Caiaphas, who was high priest that year. 14 New it was Caiaphas who advised the Jews that it was expedient that one man shoù/d perish for the people. 15 Simon Peter followed Jesus, as did another disciple. New that disciple was known to the high priest, and entered in with Jesus into the court of the high priest; 16 but Peter was standing at the door outside. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to her who kept the door, and brought in Peter. 17 Then the maid who kept the door said to Peter, "Are you also one of this man's disciples?"

He said, "I am not."

18 New the servants and the officers were standing there, having made a fire of coals, for it was cold. They were warming themselves. Peter was with them, standing and warming himself. 19 The high priest therefore asked Jesus about his disciples, and about his teaching. 20 Jesus answered him, "I spoke openly to the world. I always taught in synagogues, and in the temple, where the Jews always meet. I said nothing in secret. 21 Why do you ask me? ask those who have heard me what I said to them. Behold, these know the things which I said."

22 When he had said **th**is, one of the officers standing by slapped Jesus with his hand, saying, "Do you answer the high priest like that?"

23 Jeşuş answered him, "If I have spoken evil, testify of the evil; but if well, Why do you best me?"

24 Annas sent him bound to Caiaphas, the high priest. 25 Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. They said therefore to him, "You aren't also one of his disciples, are you?"

He denied it, and said, "I am not."

26 One of the servants of the high priest, being a relative of him whese ear Peter had cut off, said, "Didn't I see you in the gärden with him?"

27 Peter therefore denied it again, and immediately the rester crowed.

28 They led Jeşuş therefore from Caiaphas into the Praetorium. It was early, and they themselveş didn't enter into the Praetorium, that they might not be defiled, but might eat the Pässover. 29 Pilate therefore went out to them, and said, "What accusation de you bring against this man?"

- 30 **Th**ey answered him, "If **th**is man wêren't an evildeer, we wouldn't have delivered him up to you."
- 31 Pilate therefore said to them, "Take him yourselves, and judge him according to your Torah." Therefore the Jews said to him, "It is not lawful for us to put anyone to death," 32 that the word of Jesus might be fulfilled, which he spoke, signifying by what kind of death he should die.
- 33 Pilate **th**erefore entered again into the Praetorium, called Jeşuş, and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?"
- 34 Jeşuş answered him, "Do you say this by yourself, or did others tell you about me?"
- 35 Pilate answered, "I'm not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests delivered you to me. What have you done?"
- 36 Jeşuş answered, "My Kingdom is not of this world. If my Kingdom were of this world, then my servants would fight, that I wouldn't be delivered to the Jews. But now my Kingdom is not from here."
- 37 Pilate therefore said to him, "Are you a king then?"

Jeşuş answered, "You say that I am a king. For this reason I have been born, and for this reason I have come into the world, that I should testify to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice."

38 Pilate said to him, "What is truth?"

When he had said **th**is, he went **o**ut again to the Jews, and said to **th**em, "I find no basis for a **chärg**e against him. 39 But you have a custom, **th**at I **shoù**/d release someone to you at the Pässover. **Th**erefore do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?"

40 Then **th**ey **å**ll **sho**uted ag**a**in, s**a**ying, "Not **th**is man, but Barabbas!" Now Barabbas was a robber.

John 19

So Pilate then took Jeşuş, and flogged him. 2 The soldierş twisted thornş into a crown, and put it on his head, and dressed him in a purple gärment. 3 They kept saying, "Hail, King of the Jewş!" and they kept slapping him.

- 4 Then Pilate went out again, and said to them, "Behold, I bring him out to you, that you may know that I find no basis for a charge against him."
- 5 Jeşuş therefore came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the pûrple gärment. Pilate said to them, "Behold, the man!"
- 6 When therefore the chief priests and the officers saw him, they shouted, saying, "Crucify! Crucify!"

Pilate said to **th**em, "Take him yourselves, and crucify him, for I find no basis for a **chärg**e against him."

7 The Jews answered him, "We have a Torah, and by our Torah he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of **Elohim**."

8 When therefore Pilate heard this saying, he was more afraid. 9 He entered into the Praetorium again, and said to Jeşuş, "Where are you from?" But Jeşuş gave him no answer. 10 Pilate therefore said to him, "Aren't you speaking to me? Don't you know that I have power to release you, and have power to cruçify you?"

11 Jeşuş answered, "You would have no power at all against me, unless it were given to you from above. Therefore he who delivered me to you has greater sin."

12 At **th**is, Pilate was seeking to release him, but the Jews cried out, saying, "If you release **th**is man, you ären't Caesar's friend! Everyone who makes himself a king speaks against Caesar!"

13 When Pilate therefore heard these words, he brought Jesus out, and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called "The Pavement", but in Hebrew, "Gabbatha." 14 Now it was the Preparation Day of the Passover, at about the sixth hour. He said to the Jews, "Behold, your King!"

15 They cried out, "Away with him! Away with him! Crucify him!"

Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your King?"

The **chief** priests answered, "We have no king but Caeşar!"

16 So then he delivered him to them to be cruçified. So they took Jeşuş and led him away. 17 He went out, bearing his cross, to the place called "The Place of a Skull", which is called in Hebrew, "Golgotha", 18 where they crucified him, and with him two others, on either side one, and Jeşuş in the middle. 19 Pilate wrote a title also, and put it on the cross. There was written, "JESUS OF NAZARETH, The KING OF The JEWS." 20 Therefore many of the Jewş read this title, for the place where Jeşuş was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek. 21 The chief priests of the Jewş therefore said to Pilate, "Don't write, 'The King of the Jewş' but 'he said, I am King of the Jewş."

22 Pilate answered, "What I have written, I have written."

23 Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also the coat. Now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout. 24 Then they said to one another, "Let's not tear it, but cast lots for it to decide where it will be," that the Scripture might be fulfilled, which says,

"They pärted my gärments among them. For my cloak they cast lots."

Therefore the soldiers did these things. 25 But there were standing by the cross of Jesus his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. 26 Therefore when Jesus saw his mother, and the disciple when he loved standing there, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold your son!" 27 Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" From that hour, the disciple took her to his own home.

28 After this, Jeşuş, seeing that all things were new finished, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, said, "I am thirsty." 29 New a vessel full of vinegar was set there; so they put a sponge full of the vinegar on hyssop, and held it at his mouth. 30 When Jeşuş therefore had received the vinegar, he said, "It is finished." He bowed his head, and gave up his spirit.

31 Therefore the Jews, because it was the Preparation Day, so that the bodies wouldn't remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a special one), äsked of Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. 32 Therefore the soldiers came, and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who was crucified with him; 33 but when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was already dead, they didn't break his legs. 34 However one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out. 35 He who has seen has testified, and his testimony is true. He knows that he tells the truth, that you may believe. 36 For these things happened, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, "A bone of him will not be broken." 37 Again another Scripture says, "They will look on him whom they pierced."

38 After these things, Joseph of Arimathaea, being a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, äsked of Pilate that he might take away Jesus' body. Pilate gave him permission. He came therefore and took away his body. 39 Nicodemus, who at first came to Jesus by night, also came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about a hundred Roman pounds. 40 So they took Jesus' body, and bound it in linen cloths with the spices, as the custom of the Jews is to bury. 41 Now in the place where he was crucified there was a gärden. In the gärden was a new tomb in which no man had ever yet been laid. 42 Then because of the Jews' Preparation Day (for the tomb was near at hand) they laid Jesus there.

John 20

Now on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene went êarly, while it was still därk, to the tomb, and såw the stone taken away from the tomb. 2 Therefore she ran and came to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple whom Jeşuş loved, and said to them, "They have taken away our Master out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have laid him!"

3 Therefore Peter and the other disciple went out, and they went toward the tomb. 4 They both ran together. The other disciple outran Peter, and came to the tomb first. 5 Stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths lying, yet he didn't enter in. 6 Then Simon Peter came, following him, and entered into the

temb. He saw the linen cloths lying, 7 and the cloth that had been on his head, not lying with the linen cloths, but rolled up in a place by itself. 8 So then the other disciple who came first to the temb also entered in, and he saw and believed. 9 For as yet they didn't know the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. 10 So the disciples went away again to their own homes.

11 But Mary was standing outside at the tomb weeping. So, as she wept, she stooped and looked into the tomb, 12 and she saw two angels in white sitting, one at the head, and one at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain. 13 They told her, "Woman, Why are you weeping?" she said to them, "Because they have taken away my Master, and I don't know where they have laid him." 14 When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, and didn't know that it was Jesus.

15 Jeşuş said to her, "Woman, Why are you weeping? Who are you looking for?" she, supposing him to be the gärdener, said to him, "Sîr, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away."

16 Jeşuş said to her, "Mary." she tûrned and said to him, "Rabboni!" which is to say, "Teacher!"

17 Jeşuş said to her, "Don't hold me, for I haven't yet ascended to my Fäther; but go to my bröthers, and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Fäther and your Fäther, to my Elohim and your Elohim."

18 Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that he had said these things to her. 19 When therefore it was evening, on that day, the first day of the week, and when the doors were locked where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the middle, and said to them, "Peace be to you."

20 When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples therefore were glad when they saw the Lord. 21 Jesus therefore said to them again, "Peace be to you. As the Fäther has sent me, even so I send you." 22 When he had said this, he breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit! 23 If you forgive anyone's sins, they have been forgiven them. If you retain anyone's sins, they have been retained."

24 But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, wasn't with them when Jeşuş came. 25 The other disciples therefore said to him, "We have seen the our Master!"

But he said to **th**em, "Unless I see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

26 After eight days again his disciples were inside, and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, the doors being locked, and stood in the middle, and said, "Peace be to you." 27 Then he said to Thomas, "Reach here your finger, and see my

handş. Reach here your hand, and put it into my side. Don't be unbelieving, but believing."

- 28 Thomas answered him, "My Master and my Elohim!"
- 29 Jeşuş said to him, "Becauşe you have seen me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen, and have believed."
- 30 Therefore Jeşuş did many other signş in the preşençe of his disçipleş, which are not written in this book; 31 but these are written, that you may believe that Jeşuş is the Christ, the Son of Elohim, and that believing you may have life in his name.

John 21

After **these th**ings, Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples at the sea of Tiberias. He revealed himself **th**is way. 2 Simon Peter, Thomas called Didymus, Na**th**anael of Cana in Galilee, and the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. 3 Simon Peter said to them, "I'm going fishing."

They told him, "We are also coming with you." They immediately went out, and entered into the boat. That night, they caught nothing. 4 But when day had already come, Jeşuş stood on the beach, yet the disciples didn't know that it was Jeşuş. 5 Jeşuş therefore said to them, "Children, have you anything to eat?"

They answered him, "No." 6 He said to them, "Cäst the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some."

They cast it therefore, and now they weren't able to draw it in for the multitude of fish. 7 That disciple therefore whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It's our Master!"

So when Simon Peter hêard that it was the their Master, he wrapped his coat around him (for he was naked), and threw himself into the sea. 8 But the other disciples came in the little boat (for they were not fär from the land, but about two hundred cubits away), dragging the net full of fish. 9 So when they got on the land, they saw a fire of coals there, and fish laid on it, and bread. 10 Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish which you have just caught."

- 11 Simon Peter went up, and drew the net to land, full of great fish, one hundred fifty-three; and even though there were so many, the net wasn't torn.
- 12 Jeşuş said to them, "Come and eat breakfäst."

None of the disciples dared inquire of him, "Who are you?" knowing that it was the their Master.

13 Then Jeşuş came and took the bread, gave it to them, and the fish likewişe. 14 This is now the third time that Jeşuş was revealed to his disciples, after he had risen from the dead. 15 So when they had eaten their breakfäst,

Jeşuş said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love me more than these?"

He said to him, "Yes, Master; you know that I love you."

He said to him, "Feed my lambş." 16 He said to him again a second time, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love me?"

He said to him, "Yes, Master; you know that I love you."

He said to him, "Tend my sheep." 17 He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love for me?"

Peter was grieved because he äsked him the third time, "Do you love me?" He said to him, "Master, you know everything. You know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. 18 Môst çêrtainly I tell you, when you were young, you dressed yourself, and walked where you wanted to. But when

you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you, and carry you where you don't want to go."

- 19 New he said **th**is, signifying by what kind of death he would glorify God. When he had said **th**is, he said to him, "Follow me."
- 20 **Then Peter**, tûrning around, såw a disçiple following. **Th**is was the disçiple whom Jeşuş loved, the one who had ålso leaned on Jeşuş' breast at the supper and äsked, "My Master, who is going to betray?" 21 Peter seeing him, said to Jeşuş, "My Master, what about **th**is man?"
- 22 Jeşuş said to him, "If I deşire that he stay until I come, what is that to you? You follow me." 23 This saying therefore went out among the brothers, that this disciple wouldn't die. Yet Jeşuş didn't say to him that he wouldn't die, but, "If I deşire that he stay until I come, what is that to you?" 24 This is the disciple who testifies about these things, and wrote these things. We know that his witness is true. 25 There are also many other things which Jeşuş did, which if they would all be written, I suppose that even the world itself wouldn't have room for the books that would be written.

BOOK OF ACTS

Acts 1

1 The first book I wrote, Theophilus, conçêrned all that Jeşuş began both to de and to teach, 2 until the day in which he was reçeived up, after he had given commandment through the Holy Spirit to the apostle when he had chosen. 3 To these he also showed himself alive after he suffered, by many preefs, appearing to them over a period of forty days, and speaking about the Kingdom of Elohim. 4 Being assembled together with them, he commanded them, "Don't depart from Jeruşalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which you heard from me. 5 For John indeed baptized in water, but you will be baptized in the Holy Spirit not many days from new."

6 Therefore when they had come together, they asked him, "Our Master, are you now restoring the kingdom to Işrael?"

7 He said to **them**, "It işn't for you to know timeş or seaşonş which the Fäther haş set within his own åuthority. 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit haş come upon you. You will be witnesseş to me in Jeruşalem, in åll Judea and Samaria, and to the uttermost pärts of the êarth."

9 When he had said **these th**ings, as **they** were looking, he was taken up, and a cloud received him out of **their** sight. 10 While **they** were looking steadfästly into the sky as he went, behold, two men stood by **them** in white clothing, 11 who also said, "You men of Galilee, Why do you stand looking into the sky? **This** Jesus, who was received up from you into the sky will come back in the same way as you saw him going into the sky."

12 Then they returned to Jeruşalem from the mountain called Olivet, which is near Jeruşalem, a Sabbath day'ş journey away. 13 When they had come in, they went up into the upper room, where they were staying; that is Peter, John, Jameş, Andrew, Philip, Thomas, Bärtholomew, Marthew, Jameş the son of Alphaeus, Simon the Zealot, and Judas the son of Jameş. 14 All these with one accord continued steadfästly in prayer and supplication, along with the women, and Mary the mother of Jeşuş, and with his brothers.

15 In these days, Peter stood up in the middle of the disciples (and the number of names was about one hundred twenty), and said, 16 "Brothers, it was necessary that this Scripture should be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke before by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who was guide to those who took Jesus. 17 For he was numbered with us, and received his portion in this ministry. 18 Now this man obtained a field with the reward for his wickedness, and falling headlong, his body bûrst open, and all his intestines gushed out. 19 It became known to everyone who lived in Jerusalem that in their language that field was called 'Akeldama, that is, 'The field of blood.' 20 For it is written in the book of Psalms,

'Let his habitation be made desolate. Let no one dwell therein; and, 'Let another take his office.

21 "Of the men **therefore** who have accompanied us all the time **th**at our Master Jeşuş went in and out among us, 22 beginning from the baptişm of John, to the day **th**at he was received up from us, of **theş**e one must become a witness with us of his resurrection."

23 They put forward two, Joseph called Bärsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. 24 They prayed, and said, "You, YAHWEH, who know the hearts of all men, show which one of these two you have chosen 25 to take part in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas fell away, that he might go to his own place." 26 They drew lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

Acts 2

Now when the day of Pentecost had come, they were all with one accord in one place. 2 Suddenly there came from the sky a sound like the rushing of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. 3 Tongues like fire appeared and were distributed to them, and one sat on each of them. 4 They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak with other languages, as the Spirit gave them the ability to speak. 5 New there were Jeruşalem Jewş, de vout men, from every nation under the sky. 6 When this sound was heard, the multitude came together, and were bewildered, because everyone hêard them speaking in his own lan-guage. 7 They were all amazed and märveled, saying to one another, "Behold, ären't åll these Galileans? 8 How do we hear, everyone in our own native language? 9 Pärthians, Medes, Elamites, and people from Mesopotamia, Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus, Aşia, 10 Phrygia, Pamphylia, Egypt, the pärts of Libya around Cyrene, vişitorş from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, 11 Cretans and Arabians: we hear them speaking in our languages the mighty works of Elohim!" 12 They were all amazed, and were perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" 13 Others, mocking, said, "They are filled with new wine."

14 But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and spoke out to them, "You men of Judea, and all you who dwell at Jeruşalem, let this be known to you, and listen to my words. 15 For these ären't drunken, as you suppose, seeing it is only the third hour of the day. 16 But this is what has been spoken through the prophet Joel:

17 It will be in the läst days, says **Elohim**, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh. Your sons and your daughters will prophecy. Your young men will see visions. Your old men will dream dreams. 18 Yes, and on my servants and on my handmaidens in those days, I will pour out my Spirit, and they will prophesy. 19 I will show wonders in the sky above, and signs on the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and billows of smoke. 20 The sun will be turned into därkness, and the

meen inte blood, before the great and glorious day of YAHWEH comes. 21 It will be that wheever will call on the name of YAHWEH will be saved.

22 "Men of Işrael, hear theşe wôrdş! Jeşuş of Nazareth, a man approved by Elohim to you by mighty wôrks and wonders and signs which Elohim did by him among you, even as you yourselves know, 23 him, being delivered up by the determined counsel and foreknowledge of Elohim, you have taken by the hand of lawless men, crucified and killed; 24 whom Elohim raised up, having freed him from the agony of death, because it was not possible that he should be held by it. 25 For David says concerning him,

'I såw the My Master ålwayş beföre my façe, For he iş on my right hand, that I shoùld not be meved. 26 Thereföre my heärt was glad, and my tongue rejoiçed. Möreover my flesh ålso will dwell in hope; 27 becauşe you will not leave my soul in Hadeş, neither will you allow your Holy One to see decay. 28 You made known to me the wayş of life. You will make me füll of gladness with your preşençe.

29 "Brothers, I may tell you freely of the patriarch David, that he both died and was buried, and his temb is with us to this day. 30 Therefore, being a prophet, and knowing that Elohim had sworn with an oath to him that of the fruit of his body, according to the flesh, he would raise up the Christ to sit on his throne, 31 he foreseeing this spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that neither was his soul left in Hades, nor did his flesh see decay. 32 This Jesus Elohim raised up, to which we all are witnesses. 33 Being therefore exalted by the right hand of Elohim, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this, which you now see and hear. 34 For David didn't ascend into the heavens, but he says himself,

'YAHWEH said to my Master, "Sit by my right hand, 35 until I make your enemies a footsteel for your feet."

36 "Let **å**ll the house of Işrael **therefor**e know **çê**rtainly **that YAHWEH** has made him both Master and Christ, **th**is Jeşuş whom you cruçified."

37 Now when **th**ey heard **th**is, **th**ey were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles "Brothers, what shall we de?"

38 Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of YAHWEH-Jeşuş for the forgiveness of sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39 For the promise is to you, and to your children, and to all whe are far off, even as many as the our Elohim will call to himself." 40 With many other words he testified, and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation!"

41 Then those who gladly received his word were baptized. There were added that day about three thousand souls. 42 They continued steadfästly in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and prayer. 43 Fear came on every soul, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. 44 All who

believed were together, and had all things in common. 45 They sold their possessions and goods, and distributed them to all, according as anyone had need. 46 Day by day, continuing steadfastly with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread at home, they took their feed with gladness and singleness of heart, 47 praising Elohim, and having favor with all the people. Our Master added to the assembly day by day those who were being saved.

Acts 3

Peter and John were going up into the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour. 2 A cêrtain man who was lame from his mother's womb was being carried, whem they laid daily at the door of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask gifts for the needy of those who entered into the temple. 3 Seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple, he \(\text{\text{\argan}}\) into the temple, he \(\text{\text{\argan}}\) is tening his eyeş on him, with John, said, "Look at us." 5 He listened to them, expecting to receive something from them. 6 But Peter said, "Silver and gold have I none, but what I have, that I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, get up and wå/k!" 7 He took him by the right hand, and raised him up. Immediately his feet and his ankle bones received strength. 8 Leaping up, he stood, and began to wå/k. He entered with them into the temple, wå/king, leaping, and praising Elohim. 9 All the people saw him wa/king and praising Elohim. 10 They recognized him, that it was he who used to sit begging for gifts for the needy at the Beautiful Gate of the temple. They were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him. 11 As the lame man who was healed held on to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the porch that is called Solomons, greatly wondering.

12 When Peter saw it, he responded to the people, "You men of Işrael, why de you märvel at this man? Why de you fästen your eyeş on us, as though by our own power or godliness we had made him walk? 13 The Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the Elohim of our fäthers, has glorified his Servant Jeşuş, whem you delivered up, and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had determined to release him. 14 But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and äsked for a murderer to be granted to you, 15 and killed the Prince of life, whem Elohim raised from the dead, to which we are witnesses. 16 By faith in his name, his name has made this man strong, whem you see and know. Yes, the faith which is through him has given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.

17 "New, brothers, I know that you did this in ignorance, as did also your rulers. 18 But the things which Elohim announced by the mouth of all his prophets, that Christ should suffer, he thus fulfilled.

19 "Repent **th**eref**o**re, and **tu**rn again, **th**at y**o**ur sin**ş** may be blotted **o**ut, so **th**at **th**ere may c**o**me **ti**me**ş** of refreshing from the pre**ş**en**ç**e of the L**o**rd, 20 and **th**at he may send Christ J**eşuş**, wh**o** was **o**rdained for you bef**o**re,

21 whem heaven must receive until the times of restoration of all things, which God spoke long ago by the mouth of his holy prophets. 22 For Moses indeed said to the fathers, 'YAHWEY will raise up a prophet for you from among your brothers, like me. You shall listen to him in all things whatever he says to you. 23 It will be that every soul that will not listen to that prophet will be utterly destroyed from among the people. 24 Yes, and all the prophets from Samuel and those whe followed after, as many as have spoken, they also told of these days. 25 You are the children of the prophets, and of the covenant which Elohim made with our fathers, saying to Abraham, In your offspring will all the families of the earth be blessed. 26 Elohim, having raised up his servant Jesus, sent him to you first to bless you, in turning away every one of you from your wickedness."

Acts 4

As they spoke to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadduçees came to them, 2 being upset because they taught the people and proclaimed in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. 3 They laid hands on them, and put them in custody until the next day, for it was now evening. 4 But many of those who heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to be about five thousand.

5 In the morning, their rulers, elders, and scribes were gathered together in Jerusalem. 6 Annas the high priest was there, with Caiaphas, John, Alexander, and as many as were relatives of the high priest. 7 When they had stood them in the middle of them, they inquired, "By what power, or in what name, have you done this?"

8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "You rulers of the people, and elders of Israel, 9 if we are examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, 10 be it known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whem you crucified, whem Elohim raised from the dead, in him does this man stand here before you whole. 11 He is 'the stone which was regarded as worthless by you, the builders, which has become the head of the corner. 12 There is salvation in none other, for neither is there any other name under heaven, that is given among men, by which we must be saved!"

13 New when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and had pêrçeived that they were unlêarned and ignorant men, they märveled. They recognized that they had been with Jeşuş. 14 Seeing the man whe was healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it. 15 But when they had commanded them to go aside out of the council, they conferred among themselves, 16 saying, "What shall we do to these men? Becauşe indeed a notable miracle has been done through them, as can be plainly seen by all whe dwell in Jeruşalem, and we can't deny it. 17 But so that this spreads no fûrther among the people, let's threaten them, that from now on they don't speak to anyone in this name." 18 They called them, and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jeşuş.

19 But Peter and John answered them, "Whether it is right in the sight of **Elohim** to listen to you räther than to **Elohim**, judge for yourselves, 20 for we can't help telling the things which we saw and heard."

21 When they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding no way to punish them, because of the people; for everyone glorified Elohim for that which was done. 22 For the man on whom this miracle of healing was performed was more than forty years old.

23 Being let go, they came to their own company, and reported all that the chief priests and the elders had said to them. 24 When they heard it, they lifted up their voice to Elohim with one accord, and said, "Oh YAHWEH, you are Elohim, who made the heaven, the earth, the sea, and all that is in them; 25 who by the mouth of your servant, David, said,

'Why de the nations rage, and the peoples plot a vain thing? 26 The kings of the earth take a stand, and the rulers take council together, against YAHWEH, and against his Christ.

27 "For truly, in this city against your holy servant, Jeşuş, whem you anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles and the people of Işrael, were gathered together 28 to de whatever your hand and your council foreordained to happen. 29 Now, YAHWEH, look at their threats, and grant to your servants to speak your word with all boldness, 30 while you stretch out your hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done through the name of your holy Servant Jeşuş."

31 When they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were gathered together. They were åll filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the word of Elohim with boldness. 32 The multitude of those who believed were of one heärt and soul. Not one of them claimed that anything of the things which he possessed was his own, but they had åll things in common. 33 With great power, the apostles gave their testimony of the resurrection of the Our Master Jesus. Great grace was on them åll. 34 For neither was there among them any who lacked, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them, and brought the proceeds of the things that were sold, 35 and laid them at the apostles' feet, and distribution was made to each, according as anyone had need. 36 Joses, who by the apostles was ålso cålled Bärnabas (which is, being interpreted, Son of Encouragement), a Levite, a man of Cyprus by race, 37 having a field, sold it, and brought the money and laid it at the apostles' feet.

Acts 5

But a çêrtain man named Ananias, with Sapphira, his wife, sold a poşşession, 2 and kept back pärt of the priçe, his wife also being aware of it, and brought a çêrtain pärt, and laid it at the apostleş' feet. 3 But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit, and to keep back pärt of the priçe of the land? 4 While you kept it, didn't it remain your own? after it was sold, wasn't it

in your power? How is it that you have conceived this thing in your heart? You haven't lied to men, but to **Elohim**."

5 Ananias, hearing these words, fell down and died. Great fear came on all who heard these things. 6 The young men arose and wrapped him up, and they carried him out and buried him. 7 About three hours later, his wife, not knowing what had happened, came in. 8 Peter answered her, "Tell me whether you sold the land for so much."

She said, "Yes, for so much."

9 But Peter äsked her, "How is it that you have agreed together to tempt the Spirit of YAHWEH? Behold, the feet of those who have buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out."

10 She fell down immediately at his feet, and died. The young men came in and found her dead, and they carried her out and buried her by her husband. 11 Great fear came on the whole assembly, and on all who heard these things. 12 By the hands of the apostles many signs and wonders were done among the people. They were all with one accord in Solomon's porch. 13 None of the rest dared to join them, however the people honored them. 14 More believers were added to YAHWEH, multitudes of both men and women. 15 They even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on cots and mattresses, so that as Peter came by, at the least his shadow might overshadow some of them. 16 Multitudes also came together from the cities around Jerusalem, bringing sick people, and those who were tormented by unclean spirits: and they were all healed.

17 But the high priest rose up, and all those who were with him (which is the sect of the Sadduçees), and they were filled with jealousy, 18 and laid hands on the apostles, and put them in public custody. 19 But an angel of YAHWEH opened the prison doors by night, and brought them out, and said, 20 "Go stand and speak in the temple to the people all the words of this life."

21 When they heard this, they entered into the temple about daybreak, and taught. But the high priest came, and those who were with him, and called the council together, and all the senate of the children of Israel, and sent to the prison to have them brought. 22 But the officers who came didn't find them in the prison. They returned and reported, 23 "We found the prison shut and locked, and the guards standing before the doors, but when we opened them, we found no one inside!"

24 Now when the high priest, the captain of the temple, and the chief priests heard these words, they were very perplexed about them and what might become of this. 25 One came and told them, "Behold, the men whom you put in prison are in the temple, standing and teaching the people." 26 Then the captain went with the officers, and brought them without violence, for they were afraid that the people might stone them.

27 When they had brought them, they set them before the council. The high priest questioned them, 28 saying, "Didn't we strictly command you not to teach in

this name? Behold, you have filled Jeruşalem with your teaching, and intend to bring this man's blood on us."

29 But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey **Elohim** räther than men. 30 The **Elohim** of our fäthers raised up Jesus, whom you killed, hanging him on a tree. 31 **Elohim** exalted him with his right hand to be a Prince and a Savior, to give repentance to Israel, and remission of sins. 32 We are His witnesses of these things; and so also is the Holy Spirit, whom **Elohim** has given to those who obey him."

33 But they, when they heard this, were cut to the heart, and determined to kill them. 34 But one stood up in the council, a Pharisee named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law, honored by all the people, and commanded to put the apostles out for a little while. 35 He said to them, "You men of Israel, be careful concerning these men, what you are about to do. 36 For before these days Theudas rose up, making himself out to be somebody; to whom a number of men, about four hundred, joined themselves: who was slain; and all, as many as obeyed him, were dispersed, and came to nothing. 37 After this man, Judas of Galilee rose up in the days of the enrollment, and drew away some people after him. He also perished, and all, as many as obeyed him, were scattered abroad. 38 Now I tell you, withdraw from these men, and leave them alone. For if this counsel or this work is of men, it will be overthrown. 39 But if it is of Elohim, you will not be able to overthrow it, and you would be found even to be fighting against Elohim!"

40 They agreed with him. Summoning the apostles, they beat them and commanded them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. 41 They therefore departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for Jesus' name.

42 Every day, in the temple and at home, they never stopped teaching and preaching Jeşuş, the Christ.

Acts 6

Now in **those** days, when the number of the disciples was multiplying, a complaint arose from the Hellenists against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in the daily service. 2 The twelve summoned the multitude of the disciples and said, "It is not appropriate for us to forsake the word of **Elohim** and serve tables. 3 **Therefore** select from among you, brothers, seven men of good report, full of the Holy Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business. 4 But we will continue steadfästly in prayer and in the ministry of the word."

5 These words pleased the whole multitude. They chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, Philip, Procorus, Nicanor, Timon, Pärmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch; 6 whom they set before the apostles. When they had prayed, they laid their hands on them. 7 The word of Elohim increased and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem exceedingly. A great company of the priests were obedient to the faith.

8 Stephen, full of faith and power, performed great wonders and signs among the people. 9 But some of those who were of the synagogue called "The Libertines", and of the Cyrenians, of the Alexandrians, and of those of Cilicia and Asia arose, disputing with Stephen. 10 They weren't able to withstand the wisdom and the Spirit by which he spoke. 11 Then they secretly induced men to say, "We have heard him speak blasphemous words against Moses and Elohim." 12 They stirred up the people, the elders, and the scribes, and came against him and seized him, and brought him in to the council, 13 and set up false witnesses who said, "This man never stops speaking blasphemous

wôrdş against this holy plaçe and the låw. 14 For we have hêard him say that this Jeşuş of Nazareth will destroy this plaçe, and will change the customs which Moşeş delivered to us." 15 All who sat in the council, fästening their eyeş on him, såw his façe like it was the façe of an angel.

Acts 7

The high priest said, "Are these things so?" 2 He said, "Brothers and fathers, listen. The **Elohim** of glory appeared to our father Abraham, when he was in Mesopotamia, before he lived in Haran, 3 and said to him, Get out of your land, and from your relatives, and come into a land which I will show you. 4 Then he came out of the land of the Chaldaeans, and lived in Haran. From there, when his fäther was dead, Elohim meved him into this land, where you are new living. 5 He gave him no inheritance in it, no, not so much as to set his foot on. He promised that he would give it to him for a possession, and to his offspring after him, when he still had no child. 6 Elohim spoke in this way: that his offspring would live as aliens in a strange land, and that they would be enslaved and mistreated for four hundred years. 7 I will judge the nation to which they will be in bondage, said **Elohim**, and **ä**fter that will they come out, and sêrve me in this place. 8 He gave him the covenant of cîrcumcision. So Abraham became the father of Isaac, and cîrcumcised him the eighth Işaac became the fäther of Jacob, and Jacob became the fäther of the twelve patriärchs.

9 "The patriarchs, meved with jealousy against Joseph, sold him into Egypt. Elohim was with him, 10 and delivered him out of all his afflictions, and gave him favor and wisdom before Pharaoh, king of Egypt. He made him governor over Egypt and all his house. 11 Now a famine came over all the land of Egypt and Canaan, and great affliction. Our fathers found no food. 12 But when Jacob heard that there was grain in Egypt, he sent out our fathers the first time. 13 On the second time Joseph was made known to his brothers, and Joseph's race revealed to Pharaoh. 14 Joseph sent, and summoned Jacob, his father, and all his relatives, seventy-five souls. 15 Jacob went down into Egypt, and he died, himself and our fathers, 16 and they were brought back to Shechem, and laid in the tomb that Abraham bought for a price in silver from the children of Hamor of Shechem.

17 "But as the time of the promise came close which Elohim had sworn to Abraham, the people grew and multiplied in Egypt, 18 until there arose a different king, who didn't know Joseph. 19 The same took advantage of our race, and mistreated our fäthers, and förced them to throw out their babies, so that they wouldn't stay alive. 20 At that time Moses was born, and was exceedingly handsome. He was nourished three months in his fäther's house. 21 When he was thrown out, Pharaoh's dåughter took him up, and reared him as her own son. 22 Moses was instructed in all the wisdom of the Egyptians. He was mighty in his words and works. 23 But when he was forty years old, it came into his heart to visit his brothers, the children of Israel. 24 Seeing one of them suffer wrong, he defended him, and avenged him who was oppressed, striking the Egyptian. 25 He supposed that his brothers understood that Elohim, by his hand, was giving them deliverance; but they didn't understand.

26 "The day following, he appeared to them as they fought, and urged them to be at peace again, saying, 'Sîrş, you are brothers. Why do you wrong one another? 27 But he who did his neighbor wrong pushed him away, saying, 'Who made you a ruler and a judge over us? 28 Do you want to kill me, as you killed the Egyptian yesterday? 29 Moşeş fled at this saying, and became a stranger in the land of Midian, where he became the father of two sons.

30 "When forty years were fulfilled, an angel of YAHWEH appeared to him in the wilderness of Mount Sinai, in a flame of fire in a bush. 31 When Moses saw it, he wondered at the sight. As he came close to see, a voice of YAHWEH came to him, 32 'I am the Elohim of your fathers, the Elohim of Abraham, the Elohim of Isaac, and the Elohim of Jacob. Moses trembled, and dared not look. 33 YAHWEH said to him, 'Take your sandals off of your feet, for the place where you stand is holy ground. 34 I have surely seen the affliction of my people that is in Egypt, and have heard their growning. I have come down to deliver them. Now come, I will send you into Egypt.

35 "This Moşeş, whem they refused, saying, 'Whe made you a ruler and a judge?— Elohim has sent him as both a ruler and a deliverer by the hand of the angel whe appeared to him in the bush. 36 This man led them out, having worked wonders and signs in Egypt, in the Red Sea, and in the wilderness for forty years. 37 This is that Moses, whe said to the children of Israel, 'YAHWEH will raise up a prophet for you from among your brothers, like me. 38 This is he whe was in the assembly in the wilderness with the angel that spoke to him on Mount Sinai, and with our fäthers, whe received living revelations to give to us, 39 to whem our fäthers wouldn't be obedient, but rejected him, and turned back in their heärts to Egypt, 40 saying to Aäron, 'Make us gods that will go before us, for as for this Moses, whe led us out of the land of Egypt, we don't know what has become of him. 41 They made a cälf in those days, and brought a sacrifice to the idol, and rejoiced in the works of their hands. 42 But Elohim turned, and gave them up to sêrve the ärmy of the sky, as it is written in the book of the prophets,

Did you offer to me slain animals and sacrifices forty years in the wilderness, Oh house of Işrael? 43 You took up the tabernacle of Moloch, the stär of your deity Rephan, the figûres which you made to worship. I will carry you away beyond Babylon.

44 "our fäthers had the tabernacle of the testimony in the wilderness, even as he who spoke to Moses commanded him to make it according to the pattern that he had seen; 45 which also our fäthers, in their tûrn, brought in with Joshua when they entered into the possession of the nations, whom Elohim drove out before the face of our fäthers, to the days of David, 46 who found favor in the sight of Elohim, and äsked to find a habitation for the Elohim of Jacob. 47 But Solomon built him a house. 48 However, the Most High doesn't dwell in temples made with hands, as the prophet says,

49 'heaven is my throne, and the êarth a footsteel for my feet. What kind of house will you build me? says YAHWEH; 'or what is the place of my rest? 50 Didn't my hand make all these things?

51 "You stiff-necked and unçîrcumçişed in heärt and earş, you ålwayş reşist the Holy Spirit! As your fätherş did, so you de. 52 Which of the prophets didn't your fätherş pêrsecute? They killed those whe foretold the coming of the Righteous One, of whem you have new become betrayerş and mûrdererş. 53 You reçeived the Torah as it was ordained by angels, and didn't keep it!"

54 Now when they heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed at him with their teeth. 55 But he, being full of the Holy Spirit, looked up steadfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of Elohim, and Jesus standing on the right hand of Elohim, 56 and said, "Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of Elohim!"

57 But they cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and rushed at him with one accord. 58 They threw him out of the city, and stoned him. The witnesses placed their gärments at the feet of a young man named Såul. 59 They stoned Stephen as he cålled out, saying, "My Master Jeşuş, receive my spirit!" 60 He kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, "Our Master, don't hold this sin against them!" When he had said this, he fell asleep.

Acts 8

Såul was consenting to his death. A great persecution arose against the assembly which was in Jerusalem in that day. They were åll scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except for the apostles. 2 Devout men buried Stephen, and lamented greatly over him. 3 But Såul ravaged the assembly, entering into every house, and dragged both men and women off to prison. 4 Therefore those who were scattered abroad went around preaching the word. 5 Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and proclaimed to them the Christ. 6 The multitudes listened with one accord to the things that were spoken by Philip, when they heard and såw the signs which he did. 7 For unclean spirits came out of many of those

who had them. They came out, crying with a loud voice. Many who had been paralyzed and lame were healed. 8 There was great joy in that city.

9 But there was a certain man, Simon by name, who used to practice sorcery in the city, and amazed the people of Samaria, making himself out to be some great one, 10 to whom they all listened, from the least to the greatest, saying, "This man is that great power of Elohim." 11 They listened to him, because for a long time he had amazed them with his sorceries. 12 But when they believed Philip preaching good news concerning the Kingdom of Elohim and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women. 13 Simon himself also believed. Being baptized, he continued with Philip. Seeing signs and great miracles occurring, he was amazed.

14 New when the aposiles who were at Jeruşalem hêard that Samaria had reçeived the wôrd of Elohim, they sent Peter and John to them, 15 who, when they had come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Spirit; 16 for as yet he had fallen on none of them. They had only been baptized in the name of Christ Jesus. 17 Then they laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit. 18 New when Simon saw that the Holy Spirit was given through the laying on of the aposiles' hands, he offered them money, 19 saying, "Give me also this power, that who mever I lay my hands on may receive the Holy Spirit." 20 But Peter said to him, "May your silver perish with you, because you thought you could obtain the gift of Elohim with money! 21 You have neither part nor lot in this matter, for your heart isn't right before God. 22 Repent therefore of this, your wickedness, and ask Elohim if perhaps the thought of your heart may be forgiven you. 23 For I see that you are in the gall of bitterness and in the bondage of iniquity."

24 Simon answered, "Pray for me to **Elohim**, **th**at none of the **th**ings which you have spoken happen to me."

25 They therefore, when they had testified and spoken the word of Elohim, returned to Jeruşalem, and preached the Good News to many villages of the Samaritans. 26 But an angel of YAHWEH spoke to Philip, saying, "Arişe, and go toward the south to the way that goes down from Jeruşalem to Gaza. This is a desert."

27 He arose and went; and behold, there was a man of **Eth**iopia, a eunuch of great authority under Candaçe, queen of the **Eth**iopians, who was over all her treasure, who had come to Jerusalem to worship. 28 He was returning and sitting in his chariot, and was reading the prophet saiah.

29 The Spirit said to Philip, "Go near, and join yourself to this chariot."

30 **Ph**ilip ran to him, and heard him reading **I**şa**i**ah the pro**ph**et, and said, "Deyou understand what you are reading?"

31 He said, "How can I, unless someone explains it to me?" He begged Philip to come up and sit with him. 32 Now the passage of the Scripture which he was reading was this,

"He was led as a **shee**p to the slåughter. As a lamb before his **she**arer is silent, so he doeşn't open his mouth. 33 In his humiliation, his judgment was taken away. Who will declare His generation? For his life is taken from the earth."

34 The eunuch answered **Philip**, "Who is the prophet taking about? About himself, or about someone else?"

35 Philip opened his mouth, and beginning from this Scripture, preached to him Jesus. 36 As they went on the way, they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "Behold, here is water. What is keeping me from being baptized?" 38 He commanded the chariot to stand still, and they both went down into the water, both Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him.

39 When **th**ey came up **o**ut of the water, the Spirit of **YAHWEH** caught **Philip** away, and the **eunuch** didn't **see** him any more, for he went on his way rejoicing. 40 But **Philip** was found at Azotus. Pässing **th**rough, he preached the Good News to all the cities, until he came to Caesarea.

Acts 9

But Såul, still breathing threats and slåughter against the disciples of the Master, went to the high priest, 2 and äsked for letters from him to the synagogues of Damascus, that if he found any who were of the Way, whether men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. 3 As he traveled, he got close to Damascus, and suddenly a light from the sky shone around him. 4 He fell on the earth, and heard a voice saying to him, "Såul, Såul, why do you persecute me?"

5 He said, "Wh● are you, My Master?"

Our Master said, "I am Jeşuş, whom you are pêrsecuting. 6 But rişe up, and enter into the çity, and you will be told what you must do."

7 The men who traveled with him stood speechless, hearing the sound, but seeing no one. 8 Saul arose from the ground, and when his eyes were opened, he saw no one. They led him by the hand, and brought him into Damas-cus. 9 He was without sight for three days, and neither ate nor drank.

10 New there was a çêrtain disçiple at Damascus named Ananias. YAHWEH said to him in a vişion, "Ananias!" He said, "Behold, it's me, My Master."

11 Our Master said to him, "Arişe, and go to the street which is called Straight, and inquire in the house of Judah for one named Saul, a man of Tärsus. For behold, he is praying, 12 and in a vişion he has seen a man named Ananias coming in, and laying his hands on him, that he might receive his sight."

13 But Ananias answered, "My Master, I have heard from many about **th**is man, how mu**ch** evil he did to your saints at Jeruşalem. 14 Here he haş au**th**ority from the **chief** priests to bind all who call on your name."

15 But **YAHWEH** said to him, "Go your way, for he is my chosen vessel to bear my name before the nations and kings, and the children of Israel.16 For I will show him how many things he must suffer for my name's sake."

17 Ananias depärted, and entered into the house. Laying his hands on him, he said, "Brother Såul, Jeşuş, who appeared to you on the road by which you came, has sent me, that you may receive your sight, and be filled with the Holy Spirit." 18 Immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he received his sight. He arose and was baptized. 19 He took food and was strengthened. Såul stayed several days with the disciples who were at Damascus. 20 Immediately in the synagogues he proclaimed the Christ, that he is the Son of Elohim. 21 All who heard him were amazed, and said, "Işn't this he who in Jeruşalem made havoc of those who cålled on this name? And he had come here intending to bring them bound before the chief priests!"

22 But Saul increased more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived at Damascus, preving that this is the Christ. 23 When many days were fulfilled, the Jews conspired together to kill him, 24 but their plot became known to Saul. They watched the gates both day and night that they might kill him, 25 but his disciples took him by night, and let him down through the wall, lowering him in a bäsket. 26 When Såul had come to Jeruşalem, he tried to join himself to the disciples; but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he was a disciple. 27 But Barnabas took him, and brought him to the apostles, and declared to them how he had seen YAHWEH on the way, and that he had spoken to him, and how at Damascus he had preached boldly in the name of Jesus. 28 He was with them entering into Jerusalem, 29 preaching boldly in the name of Jesus. He disputed against the Hellenists, but **th**ey were seeking to kill him. 30 When the brothers knew it, they brought him down to Caesarea, and sent him off to Tarsus. 31 So the assemblies throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria had peaçe, and were built up. They were multiplied, walking in the fear of **Elohim** and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit.

32 As Peter went throughout all those parts, he came down also to the saints who lived at Lydda. 33 There he found a certain man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden for eight years, because he was paralyzed. 34 Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you. Get up and make your bed!" Immediately he arose. 35 All who lived at Lydda and in Sharon saw him, and they turned to Elohim.

36 New there was at Joppa a çêrtain disçiple named Tabittha, which when translated, means Dorcas. This woman was full of good works and acts of mêrçy which she did. 37 In those days, she became sick, and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in an upper reem. 38 As Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, hearing that Peter was there, sent two men to him, imploring him not to delay in coming to

them. 39 Peter got up and went with them. When he had come, they brought him into the upper reem. All the widows stood by him weeping, and showing the coats and garments which Dorcas had made while she was with them. 40 Peter sent them All out, and knelt down and prayed. Turning to the body, he said, "Tabitha, get up!" She opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter, she sat up. 41 He gave her his hand, and raised her up. Calling the saints and widows, he presented her alive. 42 And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed in our Master. 43 He stayed many days in Joppa with a tanner named Simon.

Acts 10

Now there was a certain man in Caesarea, Cornelius by name, a centurion of what was called the Italian Regiment, 2 a devout man, and one who feared Elohim with all his house, who gave gifts for the needy generously to the people, and always prayed to Elohim. 3 At about the ninth hour of the day, he clearly saw in a vision an angel of Elohim coming to him, and saying to him, "Cornelius!"

4 He, fästening his eyes on him, and being frightened, said, "What is it, My Master?"

He said to him, "Your prayers and your gifts to the needy have gone up for a memorial before **Elohim**. 5 New send men to Joppa, and get Simon, who is also called Peter. 6 He lodges with a tanner named Simon, whose house is by the seaside.

7 When the angel who spoke to him had depärted, Cornelius called two of his household servants and a devout soldier of those who waited on him continually. 8 Having explained everything to them, he sent them to Joppa. 9 Now on the next day as they were on their journey, and got close to the city, Peter went up on the housetop to pray at about noon. 10 He became hungry and desired to eat, but while they were preparing, he fell into a trance. 11 He saw heaven opened and a certain container descending to him, like a great sheet let down by four corners on the earth, 12 in which were all kinds of four-footed animals of the earth, wild animals, reptiles, and birds of the sky. 13 A voice came to him, "Rise, Peter, kill an eat!"

14 But Peter said, "Not so, My Master; for I have never eaten anything that is common or unclean."

15 A voiçe came to him again the second time, "What Elohim has cleansed, you must not call unclean." 16 This was done three times, and immediately the vessel was received up into heaven. 17 New while Peter was very perplexed in himself what the vision which he had seen might mean, behold, the men who were sent by Cornelius, having made inquiry for Simon's house, stood before the gate, 18 and called and asked whether Simon, who was also called Peter, was lodging there. 19 While Peter was pondering the vision, the Spirit said to him, "Behold, three men seek you. 20 But arise, get down, and go with them, doubting nothing; for I have sent them."

21 Peter went down to the men, and said, "Behold, I am he whom you seek. Why have you come?"

22 They said, "Cornelius, a centurion, a righteous man and one who fears Elohim, and well spoken of by all the nation of the Jews, was directed by a holy angel to invite you to his house, and to listen to what you say." 23 So he called them in and provided a place to stay. On the next day Peter arose and went out with them, and some of the brothers from Joppa accompanied him. 24 On the next day they entered into Caesarea. Cornelius was waiting for them, having called together his relatives and his near friends. 25 When Peter entered, Cornelius met him, fell down at his feet, and worshiped him. 26 But Peter raised him up, saying, "Stand up! I myself am also a man." 27 As he talked with him, he went in and found many gathered together. 28 He said to them, "You yourselves know how it is an unlawful thing for a man who is a Jew to join himself or come to one of another nation, but Elohim has shown me that I shouldn't call any man unholy or unclean. 29 Therefore also I came without complaint when I was sent for. I ask therefore, why did you send for me?"

30 Cornelius said, "Four days ago, I was fästing until this hour, and at the ninth hour, I prayed in my house, and behold, a man stood before me in bright clothing, 31 and said, Cornelius, your prayer is heard, and your gifts to the needy are remembered in the sight of Elohim. 32 Send therefore to Joppa, and summon Simon, who is also called Peter. He lodges in the house of a tanner named Simon, by the seaside. When he comes, he will speak to you. 33 Therefore I sent to you at once, and it was good of you to come. Now therefore we are all here present in the sight of Elohim to hear all things that have been commanded you by Elohim."

34 Peter opened his mouth and said, "Truly I perçeive that Elohim doeşn't show favoritism; 35 but in every nation he who fears him and works righteousness is acceptable to him. 36 The word which he sent to the children of Işrael, preaching good news of peace by Jesus Christ—he is (Master) YAHWEH of all—37 you yourselves know what happened, which was proclaimed throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee, äfter the baptism which John preached; 38 even Jeşuş of Nazareth, how Elohim anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for **Elohim** was with him. 39 We are witnesses of everything he did both in the country of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they also killed, hanging him on a tree. 40 Elohim raised him up the third day, and gave him to be revealed, 41 not to all the people, but to witnesses who were chosen before by Elohim, to us, whe ate and drank with him äfter he rose from the dead. 42 He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that this is he whe is appointed by Elohim as the Judge of the living and the dead. 43 All the prophets testify about him, that through his name everyone who believes in him will receive remission of sins."

44 While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell on all those who heard the word. 45 They of the circumcision who believed were amazed, as many

as came with Peter, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was also poured out on the Gentiles. 46 For they heard them speaking in other languages and magnifying Elohim.

Then Peter answered, 47 "Can anyone forbid these people from being baptized with water? They have received the Holy Spirit just like us." 48 He commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to stay some days.

Acts 11

1 New the apostles and the brothers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also received the word of Elohim. 2 When Peter had come up to Jerusalem, those who were of the circumcision contended with him, 3 saying, "You went in to uncircumcised men, and ate with them!"

4 But Peter began, and explained to them in order, saying, 5 "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision: a cêrtain container descending, like it was a great sheet let down from heaven by four corners. It came as far as me. 6 When I had looked intently at it, I considered, and saw the four-footed animals of the earth, wild animals, creeping things, and birds of the sky. 7 l also hêard a voice saying to me, 'Rise, Peter, kill and eat! 8 But I said, Not so, My Master, for nothing unholy or unclean has ever entered into my mouth. 9 But a voice answered me the second time out of heaven, 'What Elohim has cleansed, don't you call unclean. 10 This was done three times, and all were drawn up again into heaven. 11 Behold, immediately three men stood before the house where I was, having been sent from Caesarea to me. 12 The Spirit told me to go with them, without discriminating. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered into the man's house. 13 He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house, and saying to him, Send to Joppa, and get Simon, who is called Peter, 14 who will speak to you words by which you will be saved, you and all your house. 15 As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them, even as on us at the beginning. 16 I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, 'John indeed baptized in water, but you will be baptized in the Holy Spirit. 17 If then Elohim gave to them the same gift as us, when we believed in the our Master Jesus Christ, whe was I, that I could withstand Elohim?"

18 When they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified Elohim, saying, "Then Elohim has also granted to the Gentiles repentance to life!"

19 They therefore who were scattered abroad by the oppression that arose about Stephen traveled as far as Phoeniçia, Cyprus, and Antioch, speaking the word to no one except to Jews only. 20 But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who, when they had come to Antioch, spoke to the Hellenists, preaching our Master Jesus. 21 The hand of the Master was with them, and a great number believed and turned to our Master

. 22 The report conçerning them came to the ears of the assembly which was in Jeruşalem. They sent out Bärnabas to go as fär as Antioch, 23 who, when he had come, and had seen the graçe of Elohim, was glad. He exhorted them all, that with pûrpose of heärt they shoù/d remain near to the Lord. 24 For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Spirit and of faith, and many people were added to our Master.

25 Bärnabas went out to Tärsus to look for Såul. 26 When he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they were gathered together with the assembly, and tåught many people. The disciples were first cålled Christians in Antioch.

27 New in **these** days, prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. 28 One of **them** named Agabus stood up, and indicated by the Spirit **that there shou**id be a great famine all over the world, which also happened in the days of Claudius. 29 As any of the disciples had plenty, each determined to send relief to the brothers who lived in Judea; 30 which they also did, sending it to the elders by the hands of Bärnabas and Såul.

Acts 12

1 New about that time, King Herod stretched out his hands to oppress some of the assembly. 2 He killed James, the brother of John, with the sword. 3 When he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to seize Peter also. This was during the days of unleavened bread. 4 When he had arrested him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four squads of four soldiers each to guard him, intending to bring him out to the people after the Passover. 5 Peter therefore was kept in the prison, but constant prayer was made by the assembly to Elohim for him. 6 The same night when Herod was about to bring him out, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains. Guards in front of the door kept the prison.

7 And behold, an angel of YAHWEH stood by him, and a light shone in the cell. He struck Peter on the side, and woke him up, saying, "Stand up quickly!" His chains fell off from his hands. 8 The angel said to him, "Get dressed and put on your sandals." He did so. He said to him, "Put on your cloak, and follow me." 9 And he went out and followed him. He didn't know that what was being done by the angel was real, but thought he saw a vision. 10 When they were past the first and the second guard, they came to the iron gate that leads into the city, which opened to them by itself. They went out, and went down one street, and immediately the angel departed from him.

11 When Peter had come to himself, he said, "Now I truly know that YAHWEH has sent out his angel and delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and from everything the Jewish people were expecting." 12 Thinking about that, he came to the house of Mary, the mother of John who was called Märk, where many were gathered together and were praying. 13 When Peter knocked at the door of the gate, a maid named Rhoda came to answer. 14 When she recognized Peter's voice,

she didn't open the gate for joy, but ran in, and reported **th**at Peter was standing in front of the gate.

15 **Th**ey said to her, "You are crazy!" But she insisted **th**at it was so. **Th**ey said, "It is his **angel**." 16 But Peter continued knocking. When **th**ey had **o**pened, **th**ey saw him, and were amazed. 17 But he, beckoning to **th**em wi**th** his hand to be silent, declared to **th**em how **YAHWEH** had brought him out of the prison. He said, "Tell **these th**ings to James, and to the brothers." **Th**en he departed, and went to another place.

18 New as seen as it was day, there was no småll stîr among the soldiers about what had become of Peter. 19 When Herod had sought for him, and didn't find him, he examined the guards, and commanded that they should be put to death. He went down from Judea to Caesarea, and stayed there. 20 New Herod was very angry with the people of Tyre and Sidon. They came with one accord to him, and, having made Blastus, the king's personal aide, their friend, they asked for peace, because their country depended on the king's country for feed. 21 On an appointed day, Herod dressed himself in royal clothing, sat on the throne, and gave a speech to them. 22 The people shouted, "The voice of a god, and not of a man!" 23 Immediately an angel of YAHWEH struck him, because he didn't give Elohim the glory, and he was eaten by worms and died.

24 But the word of **Elohim** grew and multiplied. 25 Bärnabas and Såul retûrned to Jeruşalem, when **th**ey had fülfilled **th**eir sêrviçe, ålso taking with **th**em John whe was cålled Märk.

Acts 13

Now in the assembly that was at Antioch there were some prophets and teachers: Bärnabas, Simeon who was called Niger, Luçius of Cyrene, Manaen the foster brother of Herod the teträrch, and Saul. 2 As they served the Lord and fästed, the Holy Spirit said, "Separate Barnabas and Saul for me, for the work to which I have called them."

3 Then, when they had fästed and prayed and laid their hands on them, they sent them away. 4 So, being sent out by the Holy Spirit, they went down to Seleuçia. From there they sailed to Cyprus. 5 When they were at Salamis, they proclaimed the word of Elohim in the Jewish synagogues. They had also John as their attendant. 6 When they had gone through the island to Paphos, they found a certain sorcerer, a false prophet, a Jew, whose name was Bär Jesus, 7 who was with the proconsul, Sergius Paulus, a man of understanding. This man summoned Bärnabas and Saul, and sought to hear the word of God. 8 But Elymas the sorcerer (for so is his name by interpretation) with stood them, seeking to turn aside the proconsul from the faith. 9 But Saul, who is also called Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, fästened his eyes on him, 10 and said, "Full of all deceit and all cunning, you son of the devil, you enemy of all righteousness, will you not cease to pervert the right ways of YAHWEH?

11 Now, behold, the hand of **YAHWEH** is on you, and you will be blind, not seeing the sun for a season!"

Immediately a mist and därkness fell on him. He went around seeking someone to lead him by the hand. 12 Then the proconsul, when he saw what was done, believed, being astonished at the teaching of YAHWEH.

13 New Paul and his company set sail from Paphos, and came to Perga in Pamphylia. John depärted from them and retûrned to Jeruşalem. 14 But they, pässing on from Perga, came to Antioch of Pisidia. They went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and sat down. 15 After the reading of the Torah and the prophets, the rulers of the synagogue sent to them, saying, "Brothers, if you have any word of exhortation for the people, speak."

16 Påul stood up, and beckoning with his hand said, "Men of Işrael, and you who fear Elohim, listen. 17 The Elohim of this people chose our fathers, and exalted the people when they stayed as aliens in the land of Egypt, and with an uplifted arm, he led them out of it. 18 For a period of about forty years he put up with them in the wilderness. 19 When he had destroyed seven nations in the land of Canaan, he gave them their land for an inheritance, for about four hundred fifty years. 20 After these things he gave them judges until Samuel the prophet. 21 Afterward they äsked for a king, and Elohim gave to them Såul the son of Kish, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, for forty years. 22 When he had remeved him, he raised up David to be their king, to whem he also testified, I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after my heart, who will do all my will. 23 From this man's offspring, Elohim has brought salvation to Israel according to his promise, 24 before his coming, when John had first preached the baptişm of repentançe to Işrael 25 As John was fülfilling his course, he said, 'What de you suppose that I am? I am not he. But behold, one comes äfter me the sandals of whose feet I am not worthy to untie. 26 Brothers, children of the stock of Abraham, and those among you who fear Elohim, the word of this salvation is sent out to you. 27 For those who dwell in Jerusalem, and their rulers, because they didn't know him, nor the voices of the prophets which are read every Sabbath, fulfilled them by condemning him. 28 Though they found no cause for death, they still **ä**ske**d** Pilate to have him killed. 29 When **th**ey had **fu**lfilled **å**ll **th**ing**ş th**at were written about him, they took him down from the tree, and laid him in a temb. 30 But **Elohim** raised him from the dead, 31 and he was seen for many days by those who came up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem, who are his witnesses you good news of the promise made to the to the people. 32 We bring fäthers, 33 that Elohim has fülfilled the same to us, their children, in that he raised up Jeşuş. As it is ålso written in the second psä/m,

'You are my Son. Today I have become your father.

34 "Conçêrning that he raised him up from the dead, now no more to return to corruption, he has spoken thus: I will give you the holy and sure blessings of David. 35 Therefore he says also in another psalm, 'You will not allow your Holy

One to see decay. 36 For David, äfter he had in his own generation served the counsel of **Elohim**, fell asleep, and was laid with his fäthers, and saw decay. 37 But he whem **Elohim** raised up saw no decay. 38 Be it known to you therefore, brothers, that through this man is proclaimed to you remission of sins, 39 and by him everyone who believes is justified from all things, from which you could not be justified by the law of Moses. 40 Beware therefore, lest that come on you which is spoken in the prophets:

41 'Behold, you scoffers, and wonder, and perish; for I work a work in your days, a work which you will in no way believe, if one declares it to you."

42 So when the Jews went of the synagogue, the Gentiles begged that these words might be preached to them the next Sabbath. 43 New when the synagogue broke up, many of the Jews and of the devout proselytes followed Påul and Bärnabas; who, speaking to them, ûrged them to continue in the grace of Elohim. 44 The next Sabbath ålmost the whole city was gathered together to hear the word of Elohim. 45 But when the Jews såw the multitudes, they were filled with jealousy, and contradicted the things which were spoken by Paul, and blasphemed.

46 Påul and Bärnabas spoke out boldly, and said, "It was necessary that **Elohim's** word should be spoken to you first. Since indeed you thrust it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of eternal life, behold, we turn to the Gentiles, 47 For so has our Master commanded us, saying,

I have set you as a **li**ght for the Gent**i**le**ş**, that you **sh**o**u**/d bring salv**a**ti**o**n to the utterm**o**st p**ä**rts of the **e**ar**th**."

48 As the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of Elohim. As many as were appointed to eternal life believed. 49 YAHWEH'S word was spread abroad throughout all the region. 50 But the Jews stirred up the devout and prominent women and the chief men of the city, and stirred up a persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and threw them out of their borders. 51 But they shook off the dust of their feet against them, and came to Iconium. 52 The disciples were filled with joy with the Holy Spirit.

Acts 14

In **Ico**nium, **th**ey entered toge**th**er into the synagogue of the Jews, and so spoke **th**at a great multitude both of Jews and of Greeks believed. 2 But the disbelieving Jews stirred and embittered the soul**ş** of the Gent**i**le**\$** against the brothers. 3 Therefore they stayed there a long time, speaking boldly about YAHWEH, who testified to the word of his grace, granting signs and wonders to be done by their hands. 4 But the multitude of the city was divided. Part sided with the Jews, and part with the apostles. 5 When some of both the Gentiles and the Jews, with their rulers, made a violent attempt to mistreat and stone them, 6 they became aware of it, and fled to the cities of Lycaonia, Lystra, Dêrbe, and the surrounding region. 7 There they preached the Good News.

8 At Lystra a cêrtain man sat, impotent in his feet, a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked. 9 He was listening to Paul speaking, who, fastening eyes on him, and seeing that he had faith to be made whole, 10 said with a loud voice, "Stand upright on your feet!" He leaped up and walked. 11 When the multitude såw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voice, saying in the language of Lycaonia, "The gods have come down to us in the likeness of men!" 12 They called Bärnabas "Jupiter", and Påul "Mêrcury", becåuşe the he was chief speaker. 13 The priest of Jupiter, whose temple was in front of their city, brought oxen and gärlands to the gates, and would have made a sacrifice along with the multitudes. 14 But when the apostles, Bärnabas and Paul, hêard of it, they tore their clothes, and sprang into the multitude, crying out, 15 "Men, why are you doing these things? We also are men of like passions with you, and bring you good news, that you should turn from these vain things to the living Elohim, who made the sky and the **ê**ar**th** and the s**e**a, and **å**ll **th**at is in **th**em; 16 wh**e** in the generations gone by allowed all the nations to walk in their own ways. 17 Yet he didn't leave himself without witness, in that he did good and gave you rains from the sky and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness."

18 Even saying **theş**e **th**ing**ş**, **th**ey h**ä**rdly stoppe**d** the multit**u**de**ş** from making a sacrifi**c**e to **th**em. 19 But s**o**me Jew**ş** from Antioch and Iconium came **th**ere, and having p**ê**rsuaded the multit**u**de**ş**, **th**ey stoned P**å**ul, and dragged him **o**ut of the **c**ity, supposing **th**at he was dead.

20 But as the disciples stood around him, he rose up, and entered into the city. On the next day he went out with Bärnabas to Dêrbe. 21 When they had preached the Good News to that city, and had made many disciples, they returned to Lystra, Iconium, and Antioch, 22 confirming the souls of the disciples, exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that through many afflictions we must enter into the Kingdom of Elohim. 23 When they had appointed elders for them in every assembly, and had prayed with fästing, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they had believed.

24 They passed through Pisidia, and came to Pamphylia. 25 When they had spoken the instruction of YAHWEY in Perga, they went down to Attalia. 26 From there they sailed to Antioch, from where they had been committed to the grace of YAHWEH for the work which they had fulfilled. 27 When they had arrived, and had gathered the assembly together, they reported all the things that Elohim had done with them, and that he had opened a door of faith to the nations. 28 They stayed there with the disciples for a long time.

Acts 15

Some men came down from Judea and taught the brothers, "Unless you are circumcised after the custom of Moses, you can't be saved." 2 Therefore when Paul and Barnabas had no small discord and discussion with them, they appointed Paul and Barnabas, and some others of them, to go up to Jerusalem to the apostles and elders about this question. 3 They, being sent on their way by the assembly,

pässed through both Phoeniçia and Samaria, declaring the convêrşion of the Gentiles. They caused great joy to all the brothers. 4 When they had come to Jerusalem, they were received by the assembly and the apostles and the elders, and they reported all things that Elohim had done with them.

5 But some of the sect of the **Ph**arisees who believed rose up, saying, "It is necessary to circumcise them, and to command them to keep the Torah of Moses."

6 The apostles and the elders were gathered together to see about this matter. 7 When there had been much discussion, Peter rose up and said to them, "Brothers, you know that a good while ago Elohim made a choice among you, that by my mouth the nations should hear the word of the Good News, and believe. 8 Elohim, who knows the heart, testified about them, giving them the Holy Spirit, just like he did to us. 9 He made no distinction between us and them, cleansing their hearts by faith. 10 New therefore why do you tempt Elohim, that you should put a yoke on the neck of the disciples which neither our fathers nor we were able to bear? 11 But we believe that we are saved through the grace of our Master Jesus, just as they are."

12 All the multitude kept silence, and they listened to Barnabas and Paul reporting what signs and wonders Elohim had done among the nations through them. 13 After they were silent, James answered, "Brothers, listen to me. 14 Simeon has reported how Elohim first visited the nations, to take out of them a people for his name. 15 This agrees with the words of the prophets. As it is written,

16 'After these things I will return. I will again build the tabernacle of David, which has fallen. I will again build its ruins. I will set it up,17 That the rest of men may seek äfter YAHWEH; all the Gentiles who are called by my name, says YAHWEH, who does all these things. 18 All of the works of Elohim are known to him from eternity.

19 "Therefore my judgment is that we don't trouble those from among the Gentiles who turn to Elohim, 20 but that we write to them that they abstain from the pollution of idols, from sexual immorality, from what is strangled, and from blood. 21 For Moses from generations of old has in every city those who preach him, being read in the synagogues every Sabbath."

22 **Then** it seemed good to the apostles and the elders, with the whole assembly, to cheese men out of their company, and send them to Antioch with Paul and Bärnabas: Judas called Bärsabbas, and Silas, chief men among the brothers. 23 **They** wrote these things by their hand:

"The apostles, the elders, and the brothers, to the brothers who are of the Gentiles in Antioch, Syria, and Cilicia: greetings. 24 Because we have heard that some who went out from us have troubled you with words, unsettling your souls, saying, 'You must be circumcised and keep the law, to whom we gave no commandment; 25 it seemed good to us, having come to one accord, to choose out men and send them to you with our beloved Bärnabas and Päul,

26 men who have risked their lives for the name of our Master Jesus Christ. 27 We have sent therefore Judas and Silas, who themselves will also tell you the same things by word of mouth. 28 For it seemed good to the Holy Spirit, and to us, to lay no greater burden on you than these necessary things: 29 that you abstain from things sacrificed to idols, from blood, from things strangled, and from sexual immorality, from which if you keep yourselves, it will be well with you. Farewell."

30 So, when they were sent off, they came to Antioch. Having gathered the multitude together, they delivered the letter. 31 When they had read it, they rejoiced over the encouragement. 32 Judas and Silas, also being prophets themselves, encouraged the brothers with many words, and strengthened them. 33 After they had spent some time there, they were sent back with greetings from the brothers to the apostles. 35 But Paul and Bärnabas stayed in Antioch, teaching and preaching the word of the Lord, with many others also.

36 After some days Påul said to Bärnabas, "Let's retûrn new and vişit eur brothers in every çity in which we proclaimed the wôrd of Elohim, to see hew they are deing." 37 Bärnabas planned to take John, whe was cålled Märk, with them ålso. 38 But Påul didn't think that it was a gööd idea to take with them someone whe had withdråwn from them in Pamphylia, and didn't go with them to de the wôrk. 39 Then the contention grew so shärp that they separated from each other. Bärnabas töök Märk with him, and sailed away to Cyprus, 40 but Påul chose Silas, and went eut, being commended by the brothers to the graçe of Elohim. 41 He went through Syria and Ciliçia, strengthening the assemblies.

Acts 16

He came to Dêrbe and Lystra: and behold, a cêrtain disciple was there, named Timothy, the son of a Jewess who believed; but his fäther was a Greek. 2 The brothers who were at Lystra and Iconium gave a good testimony about him. 3 Paul wanted to have him go out with him, and he took and cîrcumcişed him becauşe of the Jews who were in those parts; for they all knew that his father was a Greek. 4 As they went on their way through the cities, they delivered the decrees to them to keep which had been ordained by the apostles and elders who were at Jeruşalem. 5 So the assemblies were strengthened in the faith, and increased in number daily.

6 When they had gone through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, they were forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Aşia. 7 When they had come opposite Mysia, they tried to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit didn't allow them. 8 Pässing by Mysia, they came down to Troas. 9 A vişion appeared to Påul in the night. There was a man of Maçedonia standing, begging him, and saying, "Come over into Maçedonia and help us." 10 When he had seen the vişion, immediately we sought to go out to Maçedonia, concluding that our Master had called us to preach the Good News to them. 11 Setting sail therefore from Toas, we made a straight course to Samothraçe, and the day following to

Neapolis; 12 and from there to **Philippi**, which is a city of Macedonia, the foremost of the district, a Roman colony. We were staying some days in this city.

13 On the Sabbath day we went outside of the city by a riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down, and spoke to the women who had come together. 14 A certain woman named Lydia, a seller of purple, of the city of Thyatira, one who worshiped Elohim, heard us; whose heart our Master opened to listen to the things which were spoken by Paul. 15 When she and her household were baptized, she begged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to our Master, come into my house, and stay." So she persuaded us.

16 As we were going to prayer, a çêrtain gîrl having a spirit of divination met us, whe brought her mästers much gain by fortune telling. 17 Following Påul and us, she cried out, "These men are sêrvants of the Most High Elohim, who proclaim to us a way of salvation!" 18 She was doing this for many days.

But Påul, becoming greatly annoyed, tûrned and said to the spirit, "I command you in the name of Jeşuş Christ to come out of her!" It came out that very hour. 19 But when her mästers såw that the hope of their gain was gone, they seized Påul and Silas, and dragged them into the märketplace before the rulers. 20 When they had brought them to the magistrates, they said, "These men, being Jews, are agitating our city, 21 and advocate customs which it is not låwful for us to accept or to observe, being Romans."

22 The multitude rose up together against them, and the magistrates tore their clothes off them, and commanded them to be beaten with rods. 23 When they had laid many stripes on them, they threw them into prison, charging the jailer to keep them safely, 24 who, having received such a command, threw them into the inner prison, and secured their feet in the stocks.

25 But about midnight Påul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to **Elohim**, and the prisoner were listening to **them**. 26 Suddenly **there** was a great **earthquake**, so **th**at the foundations of the prison were **shaken**; and immediately **all** the doors were **opened**, and everyone's bonds were **loo**sened. 27 The jailer, being roused out of sleep and seeing the prison doors open, drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing **that** the prisoner had escaped. 28 But Påul cried with a loud voice, saying, "Don't härm yourself, for we are **all** here!"

29 He cålled for lights, sprang in, fell down trembling before Påul and Silas, 30 brought them out, and said, "Sîrs, what must I do to be saved?"

31 **Th**ey said, "Believe in our Master Jeşuş Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household." 32 **Th**ey spoke the word of **YAHWEH** to him, and to all who were in his house.

33 He took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes, and was immediately baptized, he and all his household. 34 He brought them up into his house,

and set feed before them, and rejoiçed greatly, with all his household, having believed in **Elohim**.

- 35 But when it was day, the magistrates sent the sergeants, saying, "Let **those** men go."
- 36 The jailer reported **these** words to Paul, saying, "The magistrates have sent to let you go; now **therefore** come out, and go in peace."
- 37 But Påul said to **th**em, "**Th**ey have beaten us publicly, wi**th**out a trial, men who are Romans, and have cäst us into prison! Do they now release us secretly? No, most cêrtainly, but let **th**em come themselves and bring us out!"
- 38 The sergeants reported these words to the magistrates, and they were afraid when they heard that they were Romans, 39 and they came and begged them. When they had brought them out, they asked them to depart from the city. 40 They went of the prison, and entered into Lydia's house. When they had seen the brothers, they encouraged them, and departed.

Acts 17

New when they had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where there was a Jewish synagogue. 2 Paul, as was his custom, went in to them, and for three Sabbath days reasoned with them from the Scriptures, 3 explaining and demonstrating that the Christ had to suffer and rise again from the dead, and saying, "This Jesus, when I proclaim to you, is the Christ."

4 Some of them were persuaded, and joined Paul and Silas, of the devout Greeks a great multitude, and not a few of the chief women. 5 But the unpersuaded Jewş took along some wicked men from the märketplaçe, and gathering a crowd, set the city in an uproar. Assaulting the house of Jason, they sought to bring them out to the people. 6 When they didn't find them, they dragged Jason and certain brothers before the rulers of the city, crying, "These who have turned the world upside down have come here also, 7 whom Jason has received. These all act contrary to the decrees of Caesar, saying that there is another king, Jesus!" 8 The multitude and the rulers of the city were troubled when they heard these things. 9 When they had taken security from Jason and the rest, they let them go. 10 The brothers immediately sent Paul and Silas away by night to Beroea. When they arrived, they went into the Jewish synagogue.

11 New these were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of the mind, examining the Scriptures daily to see whether these things were so. 12 Many of them therefore believed; also of the prominent Greek women, and not a few men. 13 But when the Jews of Thessalonica had knowledge that the word of Elohim was proclaimed by Paul at Beroea also, they came there likewise, agitating the multitudes. 14 Then the brothers immediately sent out Paul to go as far as to the sea, and Silas and Timothy still stayed there. 15 But those whe escorted Paul brought him as far as Athens. Receiving a

commandment to Silas and Timothy that they shoù/d come to him very quickly, they depärted.

16 New while Paul waited for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw the city full of idols. 17 So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who met him. 18 Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also were conversing with him. Some said, "What does this babbler want to say?" others said, "He seems to be advocating foreign deities," because he preached Jesus and the resurrection.

19 They took hold of him, and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, "May we know what this new teaching is, which is spoken by you? 20 For you bring certain strange things to our ears. We want to know therefore what these things mean." 21 Now all the Athenians and the strangers living there spent their time in nothing else, but either to tell or to hear some new thing.

22 Påul stööd in the middle of the Areopagus, and said, "You men of Athens, I pêrçeive that you are very religious in all things. 23 For as I passed along, and obşêrved the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription: 'To AN UNKNOWN GOD. What therefore you worship in ignorance, this I announce to you. 24 The **Elohim** whe made the world and all **th**ings in it, he, being Master of heaven and earth, doesn't dwell in temples made with hands, 25 neither is he sêrved by men's hands, as though he needed anything, seeing he himself gives to all life and breath, and all things. 26 He made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the surface of the earth, having determined appointed seasons, and the boundaries of their dwellings, 27 that they should seek the Elohim, if pêrhaps they might reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from each one of us. 28 'For in him we live, and meve, and have our being. As some of your own poets have said, 'For we are also his offspring 29 Being then the offspring of **Elohim**, we ought not to think that the Divine Nature is like gold, or silver, or stone, engraved by ärt and design of man. 30 The times of ignorance therefore Elohim overlooked. But now he commands that åll **pe**ople everywhere repent, 31 because he has appointed a day in which he will judge the world in righteousness by the man whem he has ordained; of which he has given assurance to all men, in that he has raised him from the dead."

- 32 New when they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some mocked; but others said, "We want to hear you again concerning this."
- 33 **Th**us Påul went out from among them. 34 But çêrtain men joined with him, and believed, among whom also was Dionysius the Areopêgite, and a woman named Damaris, and others with them.

Acts 18

After **these th**ings Påul depärted from A**th**ens, and came to Corin**th**. 2 He found a **çê**rtain Jew named A**qu**ila, a man of Pontus b**y** raçe, who had recently come from Italy, with his wife Priscilla, because Claudius had commanded all the Jews to depärt

from Rome. He came to them, 3 and becauşe he practiced the same trade, he lived with them and worked, for by trade they were tent makers, 4 He reasoned in the synagogue every Sabbath, and persuaded Jews and Greeks. 5 But when Silas and Timothy came down from Macedonia, Paul was compelled by the Spirit, testifying to the Jews that Jesus was the Christ. 6 When they opposed him and blasphemed, he shook out his clothing and said to them, "Your blood be on your own heads! I am clean. From now on, I will go to the Gentiles!"

7 He depärted **there**, and went into the house of a **çê**rtain man named Justus, one who wôrshiped **Elohim**, whose house was next door to the syna-gogue. 8 Crispus, the ruler of the synagogue, believed in our Master with all his house. Many of the Corinthians, when **they** heard, believed and were baptized. 9 **YAHWEH** said to Paul in the night by a vision, "Don't be afraid, but speak and don't be silent; 10 for I am with you, and no one will attack you to harm you, for I have many people in this city."

11 He lived **there** a year and six months, teaching the word of **Elohim** among **them**. 12 But when Gallio was proconsul of Achaia, the Jews with one accord rose up against Paul and brought him before the judgment seat, 13 saying, "This man persuades men to worship **Elohim** contrary to the Torah."

14 But when Påul was about to open his mouth, Gallio said to the Jews, "If indeed it were a matter of wrong or of wicked crime, you Jews, it would be reasonable that I should bear with you; 15 but if they are questions about words and names and your own Torah, look to it yourselves. For I don't want to be a judge of these matters." 16 He drove them from the judgment seat.

17 **Th**en **å**ll the Greeks laid hold on Sos**th**enes, the ruler of the synagogue, and beat him bef**ö**re the judgment seat. Gallio didn't care about any of **thes**e **th**ings.

18 Påul, having stayed äfter this many more days, took his leave of the brothers, and sailed from there for Syria, together with Priscilla and Aquila. He shaved his head in Cenchreae, for he had a vow. 19 He came to Ephesus, and he left them there; but he himself entered into the synagogue, and reasoned with the Jews. 20 When they äsked him to stay with them a longer time, he declined; 21 but taking his leave of them, and saying, "I must by åll means keep this coming feast in Jerusalem, but I will return again to you if Elohim wills," he set sail from Ephesus.

22 When he had landed at Caesarea, he went up and greeted the assembly, and went down to Antioch. 23 Having spent some time there, he depärted, and went through the region of Galatia, and Phrygia, in order, establishing all the disciples. 24 Now a certain Jew named Apollos, an Alexandrian by race, an eloquent man, came to Ephesus. He was mighty in the Scriptures. 25 This man had been instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in spirit, he spoke and taught accurately the things concerning Jesus, although he knew only the baptism of John. 26 He began to speak boldly in the synagogue. But when Priscilla and Aquila

hêard him, they took him aside, and explained to him the way of Elohim more accurately.

27 When he had determined to pass over into Achaia, the brothers encouraged him, and wrote to the disciples to receive him. When he had come, he greatly helped those who had believed through grace; 28 for he powerfully refuted the Jews, publicly showing by the Scriptures that Jesus was the Christ.

Acts 19

While Apollos was at Corinth, Paul, having passed through the upper country, came to Ephesus, and found certain disciples. 2 He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?"

They said to him, "No, we haven't even heard that there is a Holy Spirit."

- 3 He said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They said, "Into John's baptism."
- 4 Påul said, "John indeed baptized with the baptişm of repentançe, saying to the people that they shoù/d believe in the one who woù/d come äfter him, that is, in Jeşuş."
- 5 When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of our Master Jeşuş. 6 When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they spoke with other languages and prophesied. 7 They were about twelve men in all. 8 He entered into the synagogue, and spoke boldly for a period of three months, reasoning and persuading about the things concerning the Kingdom of Elohim.
- 9 But when some were härdened and disobedient, speaking evil of the Way before the multitude, he depärted from them, and separated the disciples, reasoning daily in the school of Tyrannus. 10 This continued for two years, so that all those who lived in Asia hêard the word of YAHWEH, both Jews and Greeks.
- 11 **Elohim** wôrked special miracles by the hands of Påul, 12 so **th**at **e**ven handkerchiefs or aprons were carried away from his body to the sick, and the **e**vil spirits went **o**ut. 13 But some of the **i**tinerant Jews, exôrcists, took on **th**emselves to invoke over **those** who had the **e**vil spirits the name of our Master Jesus, saying, "We adjure you by Jesus whom Påul preaches." 14 **Th**ere were seven sons of one Sceva, a Jewish **chief** priest, who did **th**is.
- 15 The evil spirit answered, "Jeşuş I know, and Påul I know, but who are you?" 16 The man in whom the evil spirit was leaped on them, and overpowered them, and prevailed against them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded. 17 This became known to åll, both Jews and Greeks, who lived at Ephesus. Fear fell on them åll, and the name of our Master Jeşuş was magnified. 18 Many ålso of those who had believed came, confessing, and declaring their deeds. 19 Many of those who practiced magical ärts brought their books together and burned them in the sight of åll. They counted their price, and found it

to be fifty **theus**and pieces of silver. 20 So the word of **Elohim** was growing and becoming mighty.

21 Now äfter these things had ended, Påul detêrmined in the spirit, when he had pässed through Maçedonia and Achaia, to go to Jeruşalem, saying, "after I have been there, I must ålso see Rome."

22 Having sent into Maçedonia two of those who served him, Timothy and Erastus, he himself stayed in Aşia for a while. 23 About that time there arose no small stir conçerning the way. 24 For a certain man named Demetrius, a silversmith, who made silver shrines of Artemis, brought no little business to the cräftsmen, 25 whom he gathered together, with the workmen of like occupation, and said, "Sîrş, you know that by this business we have our wealth. 26 You see and hear, that not at Ephesus alone, but almost throughout all Aşia, this Paul has persuaded and turned away many people, saying that they are no gods, that are made with hands. 27 Not only is there danger that this our trade come into disrepute, but also that the temple of the great goddess Artemis will be counted as nothing, and her majesty destroyed, whom all Asia and the world worships."

28 When they heard this they were filled with anger, and cried out, saying, "Great is Artemis of the Ephesians!" 29 The whole city was filled with confusion, and they rushed with one accord into the theater, having seized Gaius and Aristärchus, men of Macedonia, Paul's companions in travel. 30 When Paul wanted to enter in to the people, the disciples didn't allow him. 31 Certain also of the Asiarchs, being his friends, sent to him and begged him not to venture into the theater. 32 Some therefore cried one thing, and some another, for the assembly was in confusion. Most of them didn't know why they had come together. 33 They brought Alexander out of the multitude, the Jews putting him forward. Alexander beckoned with his hand, and would have made a defense to the people. 34 But when they perceived that he was a Jew, all with one voice for a time of about two hours cried out, "Great is Artemis of the Ephesians!"

35 When the town clerk had quieted the multitude, he said, "You men of Ephesus, what man is there who doesn't know that the city of the Ephesians is temple keeper of the great goddess Artemis, and of the image which fell down from Zeus? 36 Seeing then that these things can't be denied, you ought to be quiet, and to do nothing rash. 37 For you have brought these men here, who are neither robbers of temples nor blasphemers of your goddess. 38 If therefore Demetrius and the craftsmen who are with him have a matter against anyone, the courts are open, and there are proconsuls. Let them press charges against one another. 39 But if you seek anything about other matters, it will be settled in the regular assembly. 40 For indeed we are in danger of being accused concerning today's riot, there being no cause. Concerning it, we wouldn't be able to give an account of this commotion." 41 When he had thus spoken, he dismissed the assembly.

Acts 20

After the uproar had ceased, Paul sent for the disciples, took leave of them, and departed to go into Macedonia. 2 When he had gone through those parts, and had encouraged them with many words, he came into Greece. 3 When he had spent three months there, and a plot was made against him by Jews as he was about to set sail for Syria, he determined to return through Macedonia. 4 These accompanied him as far as Asia: Sopater of Beroea; Aristarchus and Secundus of the Thessalonians; Gaius of Dêrbe; Timothy; and Tychicus and Trophimus of Asia. 5 But these had gone ahead, and were waiting for us at Troas. 6 We sailed away from Philippi äfter the days of Unleavened Bread, and came to them at Troas in five days, where we stayed seven days.

7 On the first day of the week, when the disciples were gathered together to break bread, Paul taked with them, intending to depart on the next day, and continued his speech until midnight. 8 There were many lights in the upper reem where we were gathered together. 9 A certain young man named Eutychus sat in the window, weighed down with deep sleep. As Paul spoke still longer, being weighed down by his sleep, he fell down from the third floor, and was taken up dead. 10 Paul went down, and fell upon him, and embracing him said, "Don't be troubled, for his life is in him."

11 When he had gone up, and had broken bread, and eaten, and had taked with them a long while, even until break of day, he depärted. 12 They brought the boy in alive, and were greatly comforted.

13 But we who went ahead to the ship set sail for Assos, intending to take Paul aboard there, for he had so arranged, intending himself to go by land. 14 When he met us at Assos, we took him aboard, and came to Mitylene. 15 Sailing from there, we came the following day opposite Chios. The next day we touched at Samos and stayed at Trogyllium, and the day äfter we came to Miletus. 16 For Paul had determined to sail past Ephesus, that he might not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hastening, if it were possible for him, to be in Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost.

17 From Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and cålled to himself the elders of the assembly. 18 When they had come to him, he said to them, "You yourselves know, from the first day that I set foot in Asia, how I was with you all the time, 19 serving Elohim with all humility, with many tears, and with trials which happened to me by the plots of the Jews; 20 how I didn't shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, teaching you publicly and from house to house, 21 testifying both to Jews and to Greeks repentance toward Elohim, and faith toward our Lord Jesus. 22 Now, behold, I go bound by the Spirit to Jerusalem, not knowing what will happen to me there; 23 except that the Holy Spirit testifies in every city, saying that bonds and afflictions wait for me. 24 But these things don't count; nor do I hold my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from our Master Jesus, to fully testify to the Good News of the grace of Elohim.

25 "New, behold, I know that you all, among whem I went about preaching the Kingdom of Elohim, will see my face no more. 26 Therefore I testify to you today that I am clean from the blood of all men, 27 for I didn't shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of Elohim. 28 Take heed, therefore, to yourselves, and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the assembly of our Master which he purchased with his own blood. 29 For I know that after my depärture, vicious wolves will enter in among you, not sparing the flock. 30 Men will arise from among your own selves, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. 31 Therefore watch, remembering that for a period of three yearş I didn't çease to admonish everyone night and day with tearş. 32 Now, brothers, I entrust you to **Elohim**, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build up, and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. 33 I coveted no one's silver, or gold, or clothing. 34 You yourselves know that these hands served my necessities, and those who were with me. 35 ln all things I gave you an example, that so laboring you ought to help the weak, and to remember the words of our Master Jesus, that he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive."

36 When he had spoken **these th**ings, he knelt down and prayed with **them å**ll. 37 **They å**ll wept a lot, and fell on P**å**ul's neck and kisse**d** him, 38 sorrowing most of **å**ll bec**å**use of the word which he had spoken, **th**at **they** shoù/d see his face no more. And **they** accompanied him to the ship.

Acts 21

When we had depärted from them and had set sail, we came with a straight course to Cos, and the next day to Rhodes, and from there to Patara. 2 Having found a ship crossing over to Phoeniçia, we went aboard, and set sail. 3 When we had come in sight of Cyprus, leaving it on the left hand, we sailed to Syria, and landed at Tyre, for there the ship was to unload her cargo. 4 Having found disciples, we stayed there seven days. These said to Paul through the Spirit, that he should not go up to Jerusalem. 5 When those days were over, we depärted and went on our journey. They all, with wives and children, brought us on our way until we were out of the city. Kneeling down on the beach, we prayed. 6 After saying goodbye to each other, we went on board the ship, and they returned home again.

7 When we had finished the voyage from Tyre, we arrived at Ptolemais. We greeted the brothers, and stayed with them one day. 8 On the next day, we, who were Paul's companions, departed, and came to Caesarea.

We entered into the house of **Philip** the evangelist, who was one of the seven, and stayed with him. 9 Now this man had four virgin daughters who prophesied. 10 As we stayed there some days, a cêrtain prophet named Agabus came down from Judea. 11 Coming to us, and taking Paul's belt, he bound his own feet and hands, and said, "Thus says the Holy Spirit: 'So will the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man who owns this belt, and will deliver him into the hands of the Gentiles."

12 When we heard these things, both we and they of that place begged him not to go up to Jerusalem. 13 Then Paul answered, "What are you deing, weeping and breaking my heart? For I am ready not only to be bound, but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of our Master Jesus."

14 When he would not be persuaded, we çeased, saying, "Let the will of our Master be done."

15 After **theş**e dayş we took up our baggage and went up to Jeruşalem. 16 Some of the disciples from Caeşarea also went with us, bringing one Mnason of Cyprus, an early disciple, with whom we would stay.

17 When we had come to Jeruşalem, the brothers received us gladly. 18 The day following, Paul went in with us to James; and all the elders were present. 19 When he had greeted them, he reported one by one the things which Elohim had worked among the Gentiles through his ministry. 20 They, when they heard it, glorified Elohim. They said to him, "You see, brother, how many thousands there are among the Jews of those who have believed, and they are all zealous for the låw. 21 They have been informed about you, that you teach all the Jews who are among the Gentiles to forsake Moses, telling them not to circumcise their children neither to walk after the customs. 22 What then? The assembly must cêrtainly meet, for they will hear that you have come. 23 Therefore do what we tell you. We have four men who have taken a vow. 24 Take them, and Purify yourself with them, and pay their expenses for them, that they may shave their heads. Then all will know that there is no truth in the things that they have been informed about you, but that you yourself also walk observing the Torah. 25 But conçêrning the Gentiles who believe, we have written our decision that they shoù/d obşêrve no such thing, except that they shoù/d keep themselves from feed offered to idols, from blood, from strangled things, and from sexual immorality."

26 **Then** Påul töök the men, and the next day, purified himself and went with them into the temple, declaring the fülfillment of the days of purification, until the offering was offered for every one of them. 27 When the seven days were almost completed, the Jews from Asia, when they saw him in the temple, stirred up all the multitude and laid hands on him, 28 crying out, "Men of Israel, help! This is the man who teaches all men everywhere against the people, and the law, and this place. Moreover, he also brought Greeks into the temple, and has defiled this holy place!" 29 For they had seen Trophimus, the Ephesian, with him in the city, and they supposed that Paul had brought him into the temple.

30 All the city was moved, and the people ran together. They seized Påul and dragged him out of the temple. Immediately the doors were shut. 31 As they were trying to kill him, news came up to the commanding officer of the regiment that åll Jerusalem was in an uproar. 32 Immediately he took soldiers and centurions, and ran down to them. They, when they saw the chief captain and the soldiers, stopped beating Påul.

33 Then the commanding officer came near, arrested him, commanded him to be bound with two chains, and inquired who he was and what he had done. 34 Some shouted one thing, and some another, among the crowd. When he couldn't find out the truth because of the noise, he commanded him to be brought into the barracks.

35 When he came to the stairs, he was carried by the soldiers because of the violence of the crowd; 36 for the multitude of the people followed after, crying out, "Away with him!" 37 As Paul was about to be brought into the barracks, he asked the commanding officer, "May I speak to you?" He said, "De you know Greek? 38 Aren't you then the Egyptian, who before these days stirred up to sedition and led out into the wilderness the four thousand men of the Assassins?"

39 But Påul said, "I am a Jew, from Tärsus in Ciligia, a çitizen of no insignificant çity. I beg you, allow me to speak to the people."

40 When he had given him pêrmission, Påul, standing on the stairs, beckoned with his hand to the people. When there was a great silence, he spoke to them in the Hebrew language, saying,

Acts 22

"Brothers and fathers, listen to the defense which I now make to you."

2 When they heard that he spoke to them in the Hebrew language, they were even more quiet. He said, 3 "I am indeed a Jew, born in Tärsus of Ciliçia, but brought up in this city at the feet of Gamaliel, instructed according to the strict tradition of the Torah of our fäthers, being zealous for Elohim, even as you all are today. 4 I persecuted this way to the death, binding and delivering into prisons both men and women. 5 As also the high priest and all the council of the elders testify, from whom also I received letters to the brothers, and traveled to Damascus to bring them also who were there to Jerusalem in bonds to be punished. 6 As I made my journey, and came close to Damascus, about noon, suddenly a great light shone around me from the sky. 7 I fell to the ground, and heard a voice saying to me, 'Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me? 8 I answered, 'Who are you, my Master? He said to me, 'I am Jesus of Nazareth, whom you persecute.

9 "Those who were with me indeed saw the light and were afraid, but they didn't understand the voice of him who spoke to me. 10 I said, 'What shall I do, my Master? Our Master said to me, 'Arise, and go into Damascus. There you will be told about all things which are appointed for you to do. 11 When I couldn't see for the glory of that light, being led by the hand of those who were with me, I came into Damascus. 12 One Ananias, a devout man according to the law, well reported of by all the Jews who lived in Damascus, 13 came to me, and standing by me said to me, 'Brother Saul, receive your sight! In that very hour I looked up at him. 14 He said, 'The Elohim of our fathers has appointed you to know his will, and to see the Righteous One, and to hear a voice from his mouth. 15 For you will be a witness for him to all men of what you have seen and heard.

16 New why de you wait? Arişe, be baptized, and wash away your sinş, calling on His Name.

17 "When I had returned to Jeruşalem, and while I prayed in the temple, I fell into a trançe, 18 and saw him saying to me, 'Hurry and get out of Jeruşalem quickly, becauşe they will not receive testimony conçerning me from you. 19 I said, 'My Master, they themselves know that I imprisoned and beat in every synagogue those who believed in you. 20 When the blood of Stephen, your witness, was shed, I also was standing by, and consenting to his death, and guärding the cloaks of those who killed him.

- 21 "He said to me, 'Depärt, for I will send you out fär from here to the Gentiles."
- 22 **Th**ey listened to him until he said **th**at; **th**en **th**ey lifted up **th**eir voi**ce**, and said, "Rid the **e**ar**th** of **th**is fellow, for he i**s**n't fit to live!"
- 23 As they cried out, and threw off their cloaks, and threw dust into the air, 24 the commanding officer commanded him to be brought into the barracks, ordering him to be examined by scourging, that he might know for what crime they shouted against him like that. 25 When they had tied him up with thongs, Paul äsked the centurion who stood by, "Is it lawful for you to scourge a man who is a Roman, and not found quilty?"
- 26 When the centurion heard it, he went to the commanding officer and told him, "Watch what you are about to do, for this man is a Roman!"
- 27 The commanding officer came and äsked him, "Tell me, are you a Roman?" He said, "Yes."
- 28 The commanding officer answered, "I bought my citizenship for a great price." Paul said, "But I was born a Roman."
- 29 Immediately **those** who were about to examine him depärted from him, and the commanding officer also was afraid when he realized **th**at he was a Roman, because he had bound him. 30 But on the next day, desiring to know the truth about why he was accused by the Jews, he freed him from the bonds, and commanded the **chief** priests and all the council to come together, and brought Paul down and set him before **them**.

Acts 23

Påul, looking steadfästly at the council, said, "Brothers, I have lived before Elohim in åll good conscience until today."

- 2 The high priest, Ananias, commanded **thos**e who stood by him to strike him on the mouth.
- 3 **Th**en Paul said to him, "**Elohim** will strike you, you whitewashed wall! De you sit to judge me according to the Torah, and command me to be struck contrary to the Torah?"

4 Those who stood by said, "Do you malign the high priest of Elohim?"

5 Påul said, "I didn't know, brothers, that he was high priest. For it is written, 'You shall not speak evil of a ruler of your people." 6 But when Påul perçeived that the one pärt were Sadduçees and the other Pharisees, he cried out in the council, "Men and brothers, I am a Pharisee, a son of Pharisees. Conçerning the hope and resurrection of the dead I am being judged!"

7 When he had said this, an ärgument arose between the Pharisees and Sadduçees, and the assembly was divided. 8 For the Sadduçees say that there is no resurrection, nor angel, nor spirit; but the Pharisees confess all of these. 9 A great clamor arose, and some of the scribes of the Pharisees part stood up, and contended, saying, "We find no evil in this man. But if a spirit or angel has spoken to him, let's not fight against Elohim!"

10 When a great ärgument arose, the commanding officer, fearing that Påul would be torn in pieces by them, commanded the soldiers to go down and take him by force from among them, and bring him into the barracks.

11 The following night, our Master stood by him, and said, "Cheer up, Paul, for as you have testified about me at Jeruşalem, so you must testify also at Rome."

12 When it was day, some of the Jews banded together, and bound themselves under a curse, saying that they would neither eat nor drink until they had killed Paul. 13 There were more than forty people who had made this conspiracy. 14 They came to the chief priests and the elders, and said, "We have bound ourselves under a great curse, to taste nothing until we have killed Paul. 15 Now therefore, you with the council inform the commanding officer that he should bring him down to you tomorrow, as though you were going to judge his case more exactly. We are ready to kill him before he comes near."

16 But Påul's sister's son hêard of **th**eir lying in wait, and he came and entered into the barracks and **to**ld Påul. 17 Påul summoned one of the centurions, and said, "Bring **th**is young man to the commanding officer, for he has some**th**ing to tell him."

18 So he took him, and brought him to the commanding officer, and said, "Paul, the prisoner, summoned me and \(\bar{a}\)sked me to bring this young man to you, who has something to tell you."

19 The commanding officer took him by the hand, and going aside, äsked him privately, "What is it that you have to tell me?"

20 He said, "The Jews have agreed to äsk you to bring Påul down to the council tomorrow, as **tho**ugh intending to inquire somewhat more accurately concerning him. 21 Therefore don't yield to them, for more than forty men lie in wait for him, who have bound themselves under a curse neither to eat nor to drink until they have killed him. Now they are ready, looking for the promise from you."

22 So the commanding officer let the young man go, charging him, "Tell no one that you have revealed these things to me." 23 He called to himself two of the centurions, and said, "Prepare two hundred soldiers to go as far as Caesarea, with seventy horsemen, and two hundred men armed with spears, at the third hour of the night." 24 He asked them to provide animals, that they might set Paul on one, and bring him safely to Felix the governor. 25 He wrote a letter like this:

26 "Claudius Lysias to the most excellent governor Felix: Greetings.

27 "This man was seized by the Jews, and was about to be killed by them, when I came with the soldiers and rescued him, having learned that he was a Roman. 28 Desiring to know the cause why they accused him, I brought him down to their council. 29 I found him to be accused about questions of their Torah, but not to be charged with anything worthy of death or of imprisonment. 30 When I was told that the Jews lay in wait for the man, I sent him to you immediately, charging his accusers also to bring their accusations against him before you. Farewell."

31 So the soldiers, carrying out their orders, took Paul and brought him by night to Antipatris. 32 But on the next day they left the horsemen to go with him, and returned to the barracks. 33 When they came to Caesarea and delivered the letter to the governor, they also presented Paul to him. 34 When the governor had read it, he asked what province he was from. When he understood that he was from Cilicia, he said, 35 "I will hear you fully when your accusers also arrive." He commanded that he be kept in Herod's palace.

Acts 24

After five days, the high priest, Ananias, came down with certain elders and an orator, one Tertullus. They informed the governor against Paul. 2 When he was called, Tertullus began to accuse him, saying, "Seeing that by you we enjoy much peace, and that excellent measures are coming to this nation, 3 we accept it in all ways and in all places, most excellent Felix, with all thankfulness. 4 But, that I don't delay you, I entreat you to bear with us and hear a few words. 5 For we have found this man to be a plague, an instigator of insurrections among all the Jews throughout the world, and a ringleader of the sect of the Nazarenes. 6 He even tried to profane the temple, and we arrested him. 7 By examining him yourself you may ascertain all these things of which we accuse him."

9 The Jews ålso joined in the attack, affirming that these things were so. 10 When the governor had beckoned to him to speak, Påul answered, "Because I know that you have been a judge of this nation for many years, I cheerfully make my defense, 11 seeing that you can recognize that it is not more than twelve days since I went up to worship at Jerusalem. 12 In the temple they didn't find me disputing with anyone or stirring up a crowd, either in the synagogues, or in the city. 13 Nor can they prove to you the things of which they now accuse me. 1

4 But this I confess to you, that äfter the way, which they call a sect, so I serve the Elohim of our fäthers, believing all things which are according to the Torah,

and which are written in the prophets; 15 having hope toward Elohim, which these also themselves look for, that there will be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust. 16 Herein I also practice always having a conscience void of offense toward Elohim and men. 17 Now after some years, I came to bring gifts for the needy to my nation, and offerings; 18 amid which certain Jews from Asia found me purified in the temple, not with a mob, nor with turmoil. 19 They ought to have been here before you, and to make accusation, if they had anything against me. 20 Or else let these men themselves say what injustice they found in me when I stood before the council, 21 unless it is for this one thing that I cried standing among them, 'Concerning the resurrection of the dead I am being judged before you today!"

22 But Felix, having more exact knowledge conçêrning the way, defêrred them, saying, "When Lysias, the commanding officer, comes down, I will decide your case." 23 He ordered the centurion that Paul should be kept in custody, and should have some privileges, and not to forbid any of his friends to sêrve him or to visit him. 24 But äfter some days, Felix came with Drusilla, his wife, who was a Jewess, and sent for Paul, and heard him concerning the faith in Christ Jesus. 25 As he reasoned about righteousness, self-control, and the judgment to come, Felix was terrified, and answered, "Go your way for this time, and when it is convenient for me, I will summon you." 26 Meanwhile, he also hoped that money would be given to him by Paul, that he might release him. Therefore also he sent for him more often, and talked with him. 27 But when two years were fulfilled, Felix was succeeded by Porcius Festus, and desiring to gain favor with the Jews, Felix left Paul in bonds.

Acts 25

Festus **therefore**, having **come** into the provin**ce**, **äfter three** days went up to Jeruşalem from Caeşarea. 2 **Then** the high priest and the prin**c**ipal men of the Jewş informed him against Påul, and **they** begged him, 3 asking a favor against him, **th**at he woù/d summon him to Jeruşalem; plotting to kill him on the way. 4 However Festus answered **th**at Påul **shoù/**d be kept in custody at Caeşarea, and **th**at he himself was about to depärt **sho**rtly. 5 "Let **them therefore**", said he, "**th**at are in power among you go down with me, and if **there** is any**th**ing wrong in the man, let **them** accuşe him."

6 When he had stayed among them more than ten days, he went down to Caesarea, and on the next day he sat on the judgment seat, and commanded Paul to be brought. 7 When he had come, the Jews who had come down from Jerusalem stood around him, bringing against him many and grievous charges which they could not prove, 8 while he said in his defense, "Neither against the Torah of the Jews, nor against the temple, nor against Caesar, have I sinned at all."

9 But Festus, deşiring to gain favor with the Jews, answered Påul and said, "Are you willing to go up to Jeruşalem, and be judged by me there conçêrning these things?"

10 But Påul said, "I am standing before Caeşar's judgment seat, wher I ought to be tried. I have done no wrong to the Jews, as you also know very well. 11 For if I have done wrong, and have committed anything worthy of death, I don't refuse to die; but if none of those things is true that they accuse me of, no one can give me up to them. I appeal to Caeşar!"

12 **Th**en Festus, when he had conferred with the council, answered, "You have appealed to Caeşar. To Caeşar you shall go."

13 New when some days had passed, King Agrippa and Bernice arrived at Caesarea, and greeted Festus. 14 As he stayed there many days, Festus laid Påul's case before the king, saying, "There is a certain man left a prisoner by Felix; 15 about whom, when I was at Jeruşalem, the chief priests and the elders of the Jews informed me, **ä**sking for a senten**c**e against him. 16 To whem I answered **th**at it is not the custom of the Romans to give up any man to destruction, before the accused has met the accusers face to face, and has had opportunity to make his defense conçêrning the matter laid against him. 17 When therefore they had come together here, I didn't delay, but on the next day sat on the judgment seat, and commanded the man to be brought. 18 Conçêrning whom, when the accusers stood up, they brought no chärge of such things as I supposed; 19 but had çêrtain questions against him about their own religion, and about one Jeşuş, who was dead, whom Paul affirmed to be alive. 20 Being perplexed how to inquire conçêrning these things, I äsked whether he was willing to go to Jeruşalem and there be judged conçêrning these matters. 21 But when Paul had appealed to be kept for the deçişion of the emperor, I commanded him to be kept until I could send him to Caeşar."

22 Agrippa said to Festus, "I also would like to hear the man myself."

"Tomorrow," he said, "you shall hear him."

23 So on the next day, when Agrippa and Bêrniçe had come with great pomp, and they had entered into the place of hearing with the commanding officers and principal men of the city, at the command of Festus, Påul was brought in. 24 Festus said, "King Agrippa, and åll men who are here present with us, you see this man, about whom åll the multitude of the Jews petitioned me, both at Jerusalem and here, crying that he ought not to live any longer. 25 But when I found that he had committed nothing worthy of death, and as he himself appealed to the emperor I determined to send him. 26 Of whom I have no certain thing to write to my master. Therefore I have brought him out before you, and especially before you, King Agrippa, that, äfter examination, I may have something to write. 27 For it seems to me unreasonable, in sending a prisoner, not to also specify the charges against him."

Acts 26

Agrippa said to Påul, "You may speak for yourself."

Then Påul stretched out his hand, and made his defense. 2 "I think myself happy, King Agrippa, that I am to make my defense before you today conçêrning all the things that I am accused by the Jews, 3 especially because you are expêrt in all customs and questions which are among the Jews. Therefore I beg you to hear me patiently.

4 "Indeed, all the Jews know my way of life from my youth up, which was from the beginning among my own nation and at Jerusalem; 5 having known me from the first, if they are willing to testify, that after the strictest sect of our religion I lived a Pharisee. 6 Now I stand here to be judged for the hope of the promise made by Elohim to our fathers, 7 which our twelve tribes, earnestly serving night and day, hope to attain. Concerning this hope I am accused by the Jews, King Agrippa! 8 Why is it judged incredible with you, if Elohim does raise the dead?

9 "I myself most çêrtainly thought that I ought to do many things contrary to the name of Jesus of Nazareth. 10 This I also did in Jerusalem. I both shut up many of the saints in prisons, having received authority from the chief priests, and when they were put to death I gave my vote against them. 11 Punishing them often in all the synagogues, I tried to make them blaspheme. Being exceedingly enraged against them, I persecuted them even to foreign cities.

12 "Whereupon as I traveled to Damascus with the åuthority and commission from the chief priests, 13 at neen, Oh king, I såw on the way a light from the sky, brighter than the sun, shining around me and those who traveled with me. 14 When we had åll fållen to the êarth, I hêard a voiçe saying to me in the Hebrew language, 'Såul, Såul, why are you pêrsecuting me? It is härd for you to kick against the goads.

15 "I said, 'Wh● are you, my Master?

"He said, 'I am Jeşuş, whem you are persecuting. 16 But arişe, and stand on your feet, for I have appeared to you for this purpose: to appoint you a servant and a witness both of the things which you have seen, and of the things which I will reveal to you; 17 delivering you from the people, and from the Gentiles, to whem I send you, 18 to open their eyes, that they may turn from därkness to light and from the power of Satan to Elohim, that they may receive remission of sins and an inheritance among those whe are sanctified by faith in me.

19 "Therefore, King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision, 20 but declared first to them of Damascus, at Jerusalem, and throughout all the country of Judea, and also to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to Elohim, deing works worthy of repentance. 21 For this reason the Jews seized me in the temple, and tried to kill me. 22 Having therefore obtained the help that is from Elohim, I stand to this day testifying both to small and great, saying nothing but what the prophets and Moses said would happen, 23 how the Christ must suffer, and how, by the resurrection of the dead, he would be first to proclaim light both to these people and to the Gentiles."

24 As he **th**us made his defense, Festus said wi**th** a loud voiçe, "Påul, you are crazy! Your great lêarning is driving you insane!"

25 But he said, "I am not crazy, most excellent Festus, but boldly declare words of truth and reasonableness. 26 For the king knows of these things, to whom also I speak freely. For I am persuaded that none of these things is hidden from him, for this has not been done in a corner. 27 King Agrippa, do you believe the prophets? I know that you believe."

28 Agrippa said to Paul, "With a little persuașion are you trying to make me a Christian?"

29 Påul said, "I pray to **Elohim**, that whether with little or with much, not only you, but ålso åll that hear me today, might become such as I am, except for these bonds."

30 The king rose up with the governor, and Bêrniçe, and those who sat with them. 31 When they had withdrawn, they spoke to one another, saying, "This man does nothing worthy of death or of bonds." 32 Agrippa said to Festus, "This man might have been set free if he had not appealed to Caesar."

Acts 27

When it was determined that we should sail for Italy, they delivered Paul and certain other prisoner to a centurion named Julius, of the Augustan band. 2 Embarking in a ship of Adramyttium, which was about to sail to places on the coast of Asia, we put to sea; Aristärchus, a Macedonian of Thessalonica, being with us. 3 The next day, we touched at Sidon. Julius treated Paul kindly, and gave him permission to go to his friends and refresh himself. 4 Putting to sea from there, we sailed under the lee of Cyprus, because the winds were contrary. 5 When we had sailed across the sea which is off Cilicia and Pamphylia, we came to Myra, a city of Lycia. 6 There the centurion found a ship of Alexandria sailing for Italy, and he put us on board. 7 When we had sailed slowly many days, and had come with difficulty opposite Cnidus, the wind not allowing us further, we sailed under the lee of Crete, opposite Salmone. 8 With difficulty sailing along it we came to a certain place called Fair Havens, near the city of Lasea.

9 When much time had pässed and the voyage was new dangerous, becauşe the fäst had new ålready gone by, Påul admonished them, 10 and said to them, "Sîrş, I pêrçeive that the voyage will be with injûry and much loss, not only of the cärgo and the ship, but ålso of our liveş." 11 But the centurion gave more heed to the mäster and to the owner of the ship than to those things which were spoken by Påul. 12 Becauşe the haven was not suitable to winter in, the majority advişed going to sea from there, if by any means they could reach Phoenix, and winter there, which is a port of Crete, looking northeast and southeast.

13 When the south wind blew softly, supposing that they had obtained their pûrpose, they weighed anchor and sailed along Crete, close to shore.

14 But before long, a stormy wind beat down from shore, which is called Euroclydon. 15 When the ship was caught, and couldn't face the wind, we gave way to it, and were driven along. 16 Running under the lee of a small island called Clauda, we were able, with difficulty, to secure the boat. 17 After they had hoisted it up, they used cables to help reinforce the ship. Fearing that they would run aground on the Syrtis sand bars, they lowered the sea anchor, and so were driven along. 18 As we labored exceedingly with the storm, the next day they began to throw things overboard. 19 On the third day, they threw out the ship's tackle with their own hands. 20 When neither sun nor stars shone on us for many days, and no small storm pressed on us, all hope that we would be saved was now taken away.

21 When they had been long without feed, Påul stööd up in the middle of them, and said, "Sîrş, you shoù/d have listened to me, and not have set sail from Crete, and have gotten this injûry and loss. 22 Now I exhôrt you to cheer up, for there will be no loss of life among you, but only of the ship. 23 For there stööd by me this night an angel, belonging to the Elohim whose I am and whom I sêrve, 24 saying, 'Don't be afraid, Påul. You must stand beföre Caeşar. Behold, Elohim haş granted you åll those who sail with you. 25 Thereföre, Sîrş, cheer up! Fôr I believe Elohim, that it will be just as it has been spoken to me. 26 But we must run aground on a cêrtain island."

27 But when the fourteenth night had come, as we were driven back and forth in the Adriatic Sea, about midnight the sailors surmised that they were drawing near to some land. 28 They took soundings, and found twenty fathoms. After a little while, they took soundings again, and found fifteen fathoms. 29 Fearing that we would run aground on rocky ground, they let go four anchors from the stern, and wished for daylight. 30 As the sailors were trying to flee out of the ship, and had lowered the boat into the sea, pretending that they would lay out anchors from the bow, 31 Paul said to the centurion and to the soldiers, "Unless these stay in the ship, you can't be saved." 32 Then the soldiers cut away the ropes of the boat, and let it fall off.

33 While the day was coming on, Paul begged them all to take some food, saying, "Today is the fourteenth day that you wait and continue fasting, having taken nothing. 34 Therefore I beg you to take some food, for this is for your safety; for not a hair will perish from any of your heads." 35 When he had said this, and had taken bread, he gave thanks to Elohim in the presence of all, and he broke it, and began to eat. 36 Then they all cheered up, and they also took food. 37 In all, we were two hundred seventy-six souls on the ship. 38 When they had eaten enough, they lightened the ship, throwing out the wheat into the sea. 39 When it was day, they didn't recognize the land, but they noticed a certain bay with a beach, and they decided to try to drive the ship onto it. 40 Casting off the anchors, they left them in the sea, at the same time untying the rudder ropes. Hoisting up the foresail to the wind, they made for the beach.

41 But coming to a place where two seas met, they ran the vessel aground. The bow struck and remained immovable, but the stêrn began to break up by the violence of the waves.

42 The soldiers' counsel was to kill the prisoner, so that none of them would swim out and escape. 43 But the centurion, desiring to save Paul, stopped them from their pûrpose, and commanded that those who could swim should throw themselves overboard first to go toward the land; 44 and the rest should follow, some on planks, and some on other things from the ship. So they all escaped safely to the land.

Acts 28

When we had escaped, then they learned that the island was called Malta. 2 The natives showed us uncommon kindness; for they kindled a fire, and received us all, because of the present rain, and because of the cold. 3 But when Paul had gathered a bundle of sticks and laid them on the fire, a viper came out because of the heat, and fästened on his hand. 4 When the natives saw the creature hanging from his hand, they said to one another, "No doubt this man is a murderer, whem, though he has escaped from the sea, yet Justice has not allowed to live." 5 However he shook off the creature into the fire, and wasn't härmed. 6 But they expected that he would have swollen or fallen down dead suddenly, but when they watched for a long time and saw nothing bad happen to him, they changed their minds, and said that he was a god.

7 New in the neighborhood of that place were lands belonging to the chief man of the island, named Publius, who received us, and coûrteously entertained us for three days. 8 The fäther of Publius lay sick of fever and dysentery. Påul entered in to him, prayed, and laying his hands on him, healed him. 9 Then when this was done, the rest ålso who had diseases in the island came, and were cured. 10 They ålso honored us with many honors, and when we sailed, they put on board the things that we needed.

11 After three months, we set sail in a ship of Alexandria which had wintered in the island, whose sign was "The Twin Brothers." 12 Touching at Syracuse, we stayed there three days. 13 From there we circled around and arrived at Rhegium. After one day, a south wind sprang up, and on the second day we came to Puteoli, 14 where we found brothers, and were entreated to stay with them for seven days. So we came to Rome. 15 From there the brothers, when they heard of us, came to meet us as fär as The Märket of Appius and The three Taverns. When Påul såw them, he thanked Elohim, and took courage. 16 When we entered into Rome, the centurion delivered the prisoner to the captain of the guärd, but Påul was allowed to stay by himself with the soldier who guärded him.

17 After three days Paul called together those who were the leaders of the Jews. When they had come together, he said to them, "I, brothers, though I had done nothing against the people, or the customs of our fathers, still was delivered prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans,

18 when they had examined me, desired to set me free, because there was no cause of death in me. 19 But when the Jews spoke against it, I was constrained to appeal to Caesar, not that I had anything about which to accuse my nation. 20 For this cause therefore I asked to see you and to speak with you. For because of the hope of Israel I am bound with this chain."

- 21 **Th**ey said to him, "We neither received letters from Judea concerning you, nor did any of the brothers come here and report or speak any evil of you. 22 But we desire to hear from you what you think. For, as concerning this sect, it is known to us that everywhere it is spoken against."
- 23 When they had appointed him a day, many people came to him at his lodging. He explained to them, testifying about the kingdom of Elohim, and persuading them conçêrning Jeşuş, both from the law of Moşeş and from the prophets, from morning until evening. 24 Some believed the things which were spoken, and some disbelieved. 25 When they didn't agree among themselves, they departed after Paul had spoken one word, "The Holy Spirit spoke rightly through Işaiah, the prophet, to our fathers, 26 saying,

'Go to this people, and say, in hearing, you will hear, but will in no way understand. In seeing, you will see, but will in no way perçeive. 27 For this people's heart has grown callous. Their ears are dull of hearing. Their eyes they have closed. Lest they should see with their eyes, hear with their ears, understand with their heart, and would turn again, and I would heal them.

- 28 "Be it known **therefore** to you, **that** the salvation of **Elohim** is sent to the nations. They will also listen."
- 29 When he had said **theş**e wôrdş, the Jewş depärted, having a great dispute among **th**emselveş.
- 30 Paul stayed two whole years in his own rented house, and received all who were coming to him, 31 preaching the kingdom of **Elohim**, and teaching the things concerning Our Master Jesus Christ with all boldness, without hindrance.

ROMANS

Romans 1

Påul, a sêrvant of Jeşuş Christ, cålled to be an apostle, set apärt for the Gööd Newş of Elohim, 2 which he promised beföre through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, 3 conçêrning his Son, who was born of the offspring of David according to the flesh, 4 who was declared to be the Son of Elohim with power, according to the Spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead, Jeşuş Christ our Lörd, 5 through whom we received grace and apostleship, for obedience of faith among all the nations, for his name's sake; 6 among whom you are also called to belong to Jeşuş Christ; 7 to all who are in Rome, beloved of Elohim, called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from Elohim our Fäther and the Lord Jeşuş Christ.

8 Fîrst, I thank my Elohim through Jeşuş Christ for all of you, that your faith is proclaimed throughout the whole world. 9 For Elohim is my witness, whem I sêrve in my spirit in the Good News of his Son, how unceasingly I make mention of you always in my prayers, 10 requesting, if by any means now at last I may be prospered by the will of Elohim to come to you. 11 For I long to see you, that I may impart to you some spiritual gift, to the end that you may be established; 12 that is, that I with you may be encouraged in you, each of us by the other's faith, both yours and mine.

13 New I don't desire to have you unaware, brothers, that I often planned to come to you, and was hindered so far, that I might have some fruit among you also, even as among the rest of the Gentiles. 14 I am debtor both to Greeks and to foreigners, both to the wise and to the feelish. 15 So, as much as is in me, I am eager to preach the Good News to you also who are in Rome. 16 For I am not ashamed of the Good News of Christ, for it is the power of **Elohim** for salvation for everyone who believes; for the Jew first, and also for the Greek. 17 For in it is revealed **Elohim's** righteousness from faith to faith. As it is written, "But the righteous shall live by faith." 18 For the wräth of **Elohim** is revealed from heaven against åll unrighteousness of men, who suppress unrighteousness, 19 because that which is known of Elohim is revealed in them, for Elohim revealed it to them. 20 For the invisible things of him since the creation of the world are clearly seen, being perceived through the things that are made, even his everlästing power and divinity; that they may be without excuse. 21 Becauşe, knowing Elohim, they didn't glorify him as Elohim, neither gave thanks, but became vain in their reasoning, and their senseless heart was därkened.

22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became feels, 23 and traded the glory of the incorruptible Elohim for the likeness of an image of corruptible man, and of birds, and four-footed animals, and creeping things. 24 Therefore Elohim also gave them up in the lusts of their hearts to uncleanness, that their bodies should be dishonored among themselves, 25 who exchanged the truth of Elohim for a lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.

26 For this reason, Elohim gave them up to vile passions. For their women changed the natural function into that which is against nature. 27 Likewise also the men, leaving the natural function of the woman, burned in their lust toward one another, men doing what is inappropriate with men, and receiving in themselves the due penalty of their error. 28 Even as they refused to have Elohim in their knowledge, Elohim gave them up to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not fitting; 29 being filled with all unrighteousness, sexual immorality, wickedness, covetousness, malice; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, evil habits, secret slanderers, 30 backbiters, hateful to Elohim, insolent, haughty, boastful, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, 31 without understanding, covenant breakers, without natural affection, unforgiving, unmerciful;

32 whe, knowing the ordinance of **Elohim**, that those whe practice such things are worthy of death, not only de the same, but also appreve of those whe practice them.

Romans 2

Therefore you are without excuse, O man, whoever you are who judge. For in that which you judge another, you condemn yourself. For you who judge practice the same things. 2 We know that the judgment of Elohim is according to truth against those who practice such things. 3 Do you think this, O man who judges those who practice such things, and do the same, that you will escape the judgment of Elohim? 4 Or do you despise the riches of his goodness, for bearance, and patience, not knowing that the goodness of Elohim leads you to repentance? 5 But according to your härdness and unrepentant heart you are treasuring up for yourself wrath in the day of wrath, revelation, and of the righteous judgment of Elohim; 6 who "will pay back to everyone according to their works:" 7 to those who by patience in well-doing seek for glory, honor, and incorruptibility, eternal life; 8 but to those who are self-seeking, and don't obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, will be wrath and indignation, 9 oppression and anguish., on every soul of man who does evil, to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

10 But glory, honor, and peace go to every man who does good, to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. 11 For there is no partiality with Elohim. 12 For as many as have sinned without the Torah will also perish without the Torah As many as have sinned under the Torah will be judged by the Torah. 13 For it isn't the hearers of the Torah who are righteous before **Elohim**, but the doers of the Torah will be justified 14 (for when Gentiles who don't have the Torah do by nature the **th**ings of the Torah, **thes**e, not having the Torah, are a Torah to themselves, 15 in that they show the work of the Torah written in their heärts, their conscience testifying with them, and their thoughts among themselves accusing or else excusing them 16 in the day when **Elohim** will judge the secrets of men, according to my Good News, by Jesus Christ. 17 Indeed you bear the name of a Jew, and rest on the Torah, and glory in **Elohim**, 18 and know his will, and appreve the **th**ings that are excellent, being instructed out of the Torah, 19 and are confident that you yourself are a guide of the blind, a light to those who are in därkness, 20 a corrector of the feelish, a teacher of babies, having in the Tổrah the fổrm of knowledge and of the truth. 21 You therefổre who teach another, don't you teach yourself? You who preach that a man shouldn't steal, do you steal? 22 You who say a man shouldn't commit adultery. Do you commit adultery? You who abhor idols, do you rob temples? 23 You who glory in the Torah, through your disobedience of the law do you dishonor Elohim? 24 For "the name of **Elohim** is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you," just as it is written. 25 For cîrcumçişion indeed profits, if you are a deer of the Torah, but if you are a tranşgressor of the Torah, your cîrcumçişion haş become unçîrcumçişion.

26 If therefore the uncircumcised keep the ordinances of the Torah, won't his uncircumcision be accounted as circumcision? 27 Won't the uncircumcision which is by nature, if it fulfills the Torah, judge you, who with the letter and circumcision are a transgressor of the law? 28 For he is not a Jew who is one outwardly, neither is that circumcision which is outward in the flesh; 29 but he is a Jew who is one inwardly, and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit not in the letter; whose praise is not from men, but from **Elohim**.

Romans 3

Then what advantage does the Jew have? Or what is the profit of circumçişion? 2 Much in every way! Becauşe first of all, they were entrusted with the revelations of Elohim. 3 For what if some were without faith? Will their lack of faith nullify the faithfulness of Elohim? 4 May it never be! Yes, let Elohim be found true, but every man a liar. As it is written,

"That you might be justified in your words, and might prevail when you come into judgment."

5 But if our unrighteousness commends the righteousness of **Elohim**, what will we say? Is **Elohim** unrighteous who inflicts wräth? I speak like men do. 6 May it never be! For then how will **Elohim** judge the world? 7 For if the truth of **Elohim** through my lie abounded to his glory, why am I also still judged as a sinner? 8 Why not (as we are slanderously reported, and as some affirm that we say), "Let us do evil, that good may come?" Those who say so are justly condemned. 9 What then? Are we better than they? No, in no way. For we previously warned both Jews and Greeks, that they are all under sin. 10 As it is written,

"There is no one righteous; no, not one.11 There is no one who understands. There is no one who seeks äfter Elohim.12 They have all turned aside. They have together become unprofitable. There is no one who does good, no, not so much as one." 13 "Their throat is an open tomb. With their tongues they have used deceit." "The poison of vipers is under their lips"; 14 "whose mouth is full of cursing and

bitterness." 15 "Their feet are swift to shed blood.16 Destruction and misery are in their ways.17 The way of peaçe, they haven't known." 18 "There is no fear of Elohim before their eyes."

19 New we know that whatever things the law says, it speaks to those whe are under the Torah, that every meuth may be closed, and all the world may be brought under the judgment of Elohim. 20 Because by the works of the Torah, no flesh will be justified in his sight. For through the Torah comes the knowledge of sin. 21 But new apart from the Torah, a righteousness of Elohim has been revealed, being testified by the Torah and the prophets; 22 even the righteousness of Elohim through faith in Jesus Christ to all and on all those whe believe. For there is no distinction, 23 for all have sinned, and fall short of the glory of Elohim; 24 being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus; 25 whem Elohim sent to be an atoning sacrifice, through faith in

his blood, for a demonstration of his righteousness **th**rough the passing over of prior sins, in **Elohim's** forbearance; 26 to demonstrate his righteousness at **th**is present time; **th**at he might himself be just, and the justifier of him who has faith in Jesus.

27 Where then is the boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of Torah? Of works? No, but by a Torah of faith. 28 We maintain therefore that a man is justified by faith apart from the works of the Torah. 29 Or is Elohim the Elohim of Jews only? Işn't he the Elohim of Gentileş ålso? Yes, of Gentileş ålso, 30 sinçe indeed there is one Elohim who will justify the çîrcumçişed by faith, and the unçîrcumçişed through faith. 31 Do we then nullify the Torah through faith? May it never be! No, we establish the Torah.

Romans 4

What then will we say that Abraham, our forefather, has found according to the flesh? 2 For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not toward Elohim. 3 For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed Elohim, and it was accounted to him for righteousness." 4 New to him who works, the reward is not counted as grace, but as something owed. 5 But to him who doesn't work, but believes in him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is accounted for righteousness. 6 Even as David also pronounces blessing on the man to whom Elohim counts righteousness apart from works,

7 "Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven, whose sins are covered.8 Blessed is the man whom the Lord will by no means charge with sin."

9 Is this blessing then pronounced on the circumcised, or on the uncircumcised ålso? For we say that faith was accounted to Abraham for righteousness. 10 How then was it counted? When he was in cîrcumçişion, or in unçîrcumçişion? Not in cîrcumçişion, but in unçîrcumçişion. 11 He reçeived the sign of cîrcumçişion, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which he had while he was in uncircumcision, that he might be the father of all those who believe, though they might be in unçîrcumçişion, that righteousness might also be accounted to them. 12 He is the fäther of circumçişion to those who not only are of the circumçişion, but who also wålk in the steps of that faith of our fäther Abraham, which he had in unçîrcumçişion. 13 For the promise to Abraham and to his offspring that he should be heir of the world wasn't through the Torah, but through the righteousness of faith. 14 For if those who are of the Torah are heirs, faith is made void, and the promise is made of no effect. 15 For the Torah produces wrath, for where there is no Torah, neither is there disobedience. 16 For this cause it is of faith, that it may be according to grace, to the end that the promise may be sure to all the offspring, not to that only which is of the Torah, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all. 17 As it is written, "I have made you a fäther of many nations." This is in the presence of him whom he believed: Elohim, whe gives life to the dead, and calls the things that are not, as though they were. 18 Besides hope, Abraham in hope believed, to the end that he might become

a fäther of many nations, according to that which had been spoken, "So will your offspring be." 19 Without being weakened in faith, he didn't consider his own body, already having been worn out, (he being about a hundred years old), and the deadness of Sarah's wemb. 20 Yet, looking to the promise of Elohim, he didn't waver through unbelief, but grew strong through faith, giving glory to Elohim, 21 and being fully assured that what he had promised, he was also able to perform. 22 Therefore it also was "credited to him for righteousness." 23 Now it was not written that it was accounted to him for his sake alone, 24 but for our sake also, to whom it will be accounted, who believe in him who raised Jesus, our Lord, from the dead, 25 who was delivered up for our trespasses, and was raised for our justification.

Romans 5

Being therefore justified by faith, we have peace with Elohim through our Lord Jesus Christ; 2 through whem we also have our access by faith into this grace in which we stand. We rejoice in hope of the glory of Elohim. 3 Not only this, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces perseverance; 4 and perseverance, preven character; and preven character, hope: 5 and hope doesn't disappoint us, because Elohim's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us. 6 For while we were yet weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. 7 For one will hardly die for a righteous man. Yet perhaps for a righteous person someone would even dare to die. 8 But Elohim commends his own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

9 Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we will be saved from **Elohim's** wräth through him. 10 For if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to **Elohim** through the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we will be saved by his life.

11 Not only so, but we also rejoice in **Elohim** God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation. 12 Therefore as sin entered into the world through one man, and death through sin; and so death pässed to åll men, becauşe åll sinned. 13 For until the låw, sin was in the wôrld; but sin is not chärged when there is no Torah. 14 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam until Moşeş, even over thoşe whoşe sinş wêren't like Adam'ş disobediençe, who is a foreshadowing of him who was to come. 15 But the free gift isn't like the trespäss. For if by the trespäss of the one the many died, much more did the grace of **Elohim**, and the gift by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abound to the many. 16 The gift is not as **th**rough one whe sinned: for the judgment came by one to condemnation, but the free gift came of many trespässes to justification. 17 For if by the trespäss of the one, death reigned through the one; so much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one, Jeşuş Christ. 18 So then as through one trespäss, åll men were condemned; even so through one act of righteousness, all men were justified to life. 19 For as through the one man's disobedience many were made sinners, even so through the obedience of the one, many will be made righteous. 20 The Torah came in

besides, that the trespäss might abound; but where sin abounded, grace abounded more exceedingly; 21 that as sin reigned in death, even so grace might reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 6

What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? 2 May it never be! We who died to sin, how could we live in it any longer? 3 Or don't you know that all we who were baptized into Christ Jeşuş were baptized into his death? 4 We were buried therefore with him through baptism to death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Fäther, so we also might walk in newness of life. 5 For if we have become united with him in the likeness of his death, we will also be part of his resurrection; 6 knowing this, that our old man was crucified with him, that the body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be in bondage to sin. 7 For he who has died has been freed from sin. 8 But if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him; 9 knowing that Christ, being raised from the dead, dies no more. Death no more has dominion over him! 10 For the death that he died, he died to sin one time; but the life that he lives, he lives to Elohim. 11 Thus Consider yourselves also to be dead to sin, but alive to Elohim in Christ Jesus our Lord.

12 Therefore don't let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts. 13 Also, do not present your members to sin as instruments of unrighteousness, but present yourselves to Elohim, as alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to Elohim. 14 For sin will not have dominion over you. For you are not under the Torah, but under grace. 15 What then? Shall we sin, because we are not under Torah, but under grace? May it never be! 16 Don't you know that when you present yourselves as servants and obey someone, you are the servants of whomever you obey; whether of sin to death, or of obedience to righteousness? 17 But thanks be to Elohim, that, whereas you were bondservants of sin, you became obedient from the heart to that form of teaching to which you were delivered. 18 Being made free from sin, you became bondservants of righteousness.

19 I speak in human têrmş becauşe of the weakness of your flesh, for as you preşented your memberş as sêrvants to uncleanness and to wickedness upon wickedness, even so new preşent your members as sêrvants to righteousness for sanctification. 20 For when you were sêrvants of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. 21 What fruit then did you have at that time in the things of which you are new ashamed? For the end of those things is death. 22 But new, being made free from sin, and having become sêrvants of Elohim, you have your fruit of sanctification, and the result of etêrnal life. 23 For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of Elohim is etêrnal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 7

Or don't you know, brothers (for I speak to men who know the law), that the Torah has dominion over a man for as long as he lives? 2 For the woman that has a husband is bound by the Torah to the husband while he lives, but if the husband dies, she is discharged from the Torah of the husband. 3 So then if, while the husband lives, she is joined to another man, she would be called an adulteress. But if the husband dies, she is free from the Torah, so that she is no adulteress, though she is joined to another man. 4 Therefore, my brothers, you also were made dead to the Torah through the body of Christ, that you would be joined to another, to him who was raised from the dead, that we might produce fruit to Elohim. 5 For when we were in the flesh, the sinful passions which were through the Torah, worked in our members to bring out fruit to death. 6 But now we have been discharged from the Torah, having died to that in which we were held; so that we sêrve in newness of the spirit, and not in oldness of the letter.

7 What shall we say then? Is the Torah sin? May it never be! However, I wouldn't have known sin, except through the Torah. For I wouldn't have known coveting, unless the Torah had said, "You shall not covet." 8 But sin, finding occasion through the commandment, produced in me all kinds of coveting. For apart from the law, sin is dead. 9 I was alive apart from the law once, but when the commandment came, sin revived, and I died. 10 The commandment, which was for life, this I found to be for death; 11 for sin, finding occasion through the commandment, deceived me, and through it killed me. 12 Therefore the Torah indeed is holy, and the commandment holy, and righteous, and good. 13 Did then that which is good become death to me? May it never be! But sin, that it might be shown to be sin, by wôrking death to me through that which is good; that through the commandment sin might become exceedingly sinful. 14 For we know that the Torah is spiritual, but I am fleshly, sold under sin. 15 For I don't know what I am deing. For I don't practice what I desire to de; but what I hate, that I do. 16 But if what I don't desire, that I do, I consent to the Torah that it is good. 17 So now it is no more I that do it, but sin which dwells in me. 18 For I know that in me, that is, in my flesh, dwells no good thing. For desire is present with me, but I don't find it deing that which is good. 19 For the good which I desire, I don't de; but the evil which I don't desire, that I practice. 20 But if what I don't deşire, that I de, it is no more I that de it, but sin which dwells in me. 21 I find then the Torah, that, to me, while I desire to de good, evil is present. 22 For I delight in **Elohim'ş** Torah äfter the inward man, 23 but I see a different law in my member**ş**, wårring against the Torah of my mind, and bringing me into captivity under the Torah of sin which is in my members. 24 What a wretched man I am! Who will deliver me out of the body of this death? 25 I thank Elohim through Jesus Christ, our Lord! So then with the mind, I myself serve Elohim's Torah, but with the fle**sh**, the sin'**\$** Torah.

Romans 8

There is therefore new no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who don't wå/k according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. 2 For the Torah of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus made me free from the Torah of sin and of death. 3 For what the Tôrah couldn't de, in that it was weak through the flesh, Elohim did, sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh; 4 that the ordinance of the Torah might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. 5 For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the **th**ings of the Spirit. 6 For the mind of the flesh is death, but the mind of the Spirit is life and peace; 7 because the mind of the flesh is hostile towards Elohim; for it is not subject to **Elohim'ş** Torah, neither indeed can it be. 8 Those who are in the flesh can't please Elohim. 9 But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if it is so that the Spirit of Elohim dwells in you. But if any man doesn't have the Spirit of Christ, he is not his. 10 If Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin, but the spirit is alive because of righteousness. 11 But if the Spirit of him who raised up Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised up Christ Jesus from the dead will ålso give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you. 12 So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. 13 For if you live after the flesh, you must die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. 14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of Elohim, these are children of **Elohim**. 15 For you didn't receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption, by whom we cry, "Abba! Fäther!"

16 The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are children of Elohim God; 17 and if children, then heirs; heirs of Elohim, and joint heirs with Christ; if indeed we suffer with him, that we may also be glorified with him. 18 For I Consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which will be revealed toward us. 19 For the creation waits with eager expectation for the children of **Elohim** to be revealed. 20 For the creation was subjected to vanity, not of its own will, but because of him who subjected it, in hope 21 that the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of decay into the liberty of the glory of the children of **Elohim**. 22 For we know that the whole creation groans and travails in pain together until new. 23 Not only so, but ourselves also, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for adoption, the redemption of our body. 24 For we were saved in hope, but hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for that which he sees? 25 But if we hope for that which we don't see, we wait for it with patience. 26 In the same way, the Spirit ålso helps our weaknesses, for we don't know how to pray as we ought. But the Spirit himself makes intercession for us with groanings which can't uttered. 27 He who sêarches the heärts knows what is on the Spirit's mind, because he makes intercession for the saints according to Elohim. 28 We know that all things wôrk together for good for those who love Elohim, to those who are called according to his purpose.

29 For whem he foreknew, he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. 30 Whom he predestined, those he also called. Whom he called, those he also glorified.

31 What then shall we say about these things? If Elohim is for us, who can be against us? 32 He who didn't spare his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how would he not also with him freely give us all things? 33 Who could bring a charge against Elohim's chosen ones? It is Elohim who justifies. 34 Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, yes rather, who was raised from the dead, who is at the right hand of Elohim, who also makes intercession for us. 35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Could oppression, or anguish., or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? 36 Even as it is written, "For your sake we are killed all day long. We were accounted as sheep for the slaughter." 37 No, in all these things, we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. 38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, 39 nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of Elohim, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 9

I tell the truth in Christ. I am not lying, my conscience testifying with me in the Holy Spirit, 2 that I have great sorrow and unceasing pain in my heart. 3 For I could wish that I myself were accursed from Christ for my brothers' sake, my relatives according to the flesh, 4 who are Israelites; where is the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the Torah, the service, and the promises; 5 of whom are the fathers, and from whom is Christ as concerning the flesh, who is over all, Elohim, blessed forever. Amen.

6 But it is not as **tho**ugh the word of **Elohim** has come to not they are not all Israel, that are of Israel. 7 Neither, because they are Abraham's offspring, are they all children. But, "your offspring will be accounted as from Isaac." 8 That is, it is not the children of the flesh who are children of Elohim, but the children of the promise are counted as heirs. 9 For this is a word of promise, "At the appointed time I will come, and Sarah will have a son." 10 Not only so, but Rebekah also conceived by one, by our father Isaac. 11 For being not yet born, neither having done anything good or bad, that the purpose of **Elohim** according to election might stand, not of works, but of him who calls, 12 it was said to her, "The elder will serve the younger." 13 Even as it is written, "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated."

14 What shall we say then? Is there unrighteousness with Elohim? May it never be! 15 For he said to Moşeş, "I will have mêrçy on whem I have mêrçy, and I will have compassion on whem I have compassion." 16 So then it is not of him who wills, nor of him who runs, but of Elohim who has mêrçy. 17 For the Scripture says to Pharaoh, "For this very pûrpose I caused you to be raised up, that I might show in you my power, and that my name might be proclaimed in all the êarth." 18 So then,

he has mêrçy on whem he deşireş, and he härdenş whem he deşireş. 19 You will say then to me, "Why does he still find fault? For whe withstands his will?" 20 But indeed, O man, whe are you to reply against Elohim? Will the thing formed äsk him whe formed it, "Why did you make me like this?" 21 Or hasn't the potter a right over the clay, from the same lump to make one part a vessel for honor, and another for dishonor? 22 What if Elohim, willing to show his wrath, and to make his power known, endured with much patience vessels of wrath made for destruction, 23 and that he might make known the riches of his glory on vessels of mêrçy, which he prepared beforehand for glory, 24 us, whem he also called, not from the Jews only, but also from the Gentiles? 25 As he says also in Hosea, "I will call them 'my people, which were not my people; and her 'beloved, whe was not beloved." 26 "It will be that in the place where it was said to them, 'You are not my people, There they will be called 'children of the living Elohim."

27 İşaiah crieş conçêrning İşrael,

"If the number of the **ch**ildren of **lşra**el are as the sand of the s**e**_a, it is the remnant whe will be saved;28 for He will finish the wôrk and cut it **sh**ort in righteousness, because the Lord will make a **sh**ort wôrk upon the êarth."

29 As Işaiah haş said before,

"Unless the Lord of ärmies had left us a seed, we would have become like Sodom, and would have been made like Gomorrah."

30 What shall we say then? That the Gentiles, who didn't follow after righteousness, attained to righteousness, even the righteousness which is of faith; 31 but Israel, following after a Torah of righteousness, didn't arrive at the Torah of righteousness. 32 Why? Because they didn't seek it by faith, but as it were by works of the Torah. They stumbled over the stumbling stone; 33 even as it is written,

"Behold, I lay in Zion a stumbling stone and a rock of offense; and no one who believes in him will be disappointed."

Romans 10

Brothers, my heärt's desire and my prayer to Elohim is for Israel, that they may be saved. 2 For I testify about them that they have a zeal for Elohim, but not according to knowledge. 3 For being ignorant of Elohim God's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, they didn't subject themselves to the righteousness of Elohim. 4 For Christ is the fulfillment of the Torah for righteousness to everyone who believes. 5 For Moses writes about the righteousness of the Torah, "The one who does them will live by them." 6 But the righteousness which is of faith says this, "Don't say in your heärt, 'Who will ascend into heaven? (that is, to bring Christ down); 7 or, 'Who will descend into the abyss? (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead.)" 8 But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth, and in your heärt"; that is, the word of faith, which we preach:

9 that if you will confess with your mouth that Jeşuş is Lord, and believe in your heart that Elohim raised him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For with the heart, one believes unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. 11 For the Scripture says, "Wheever believes in him will not be disappointed."

12 For **there** is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, and is rich to all who call on him. 13 For, "Whoever will call on the name of the Lord will be saved." 14 How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? How will they believe in him whom they have not heard? How will they hear without a preacher? 15 And how will they preach unless they are sent? As it is written:

"How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the Good News of peace, who bring glad tidings of good things!"

16 But **th**ey didn't **å**ll listen to the glad newş. F**ổ**r **I**şa**i**ah sayş, "L**ổ**rd, wh**o** haş beli**e**ved **o**ur rep**ổ**rt?" 17 So fai**th** c**ổ**meş by hearing, and hearing by the w**ổ**rd of **Elohim**. 18 But I say, didn't **th**ey hear? Yes, m**o**st **ç**êrtainly,

"Their sound went out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world."

19 But I äsk, didn't Işrael know? Fîrst Moşeş sayş,

"I will provoke you to jealousy with that which is no nation, with a nation void of understanding I will make you angry."

20 Işaiah is very bold, and sayş,

"I was found by those who didn't seek me. I was revealed to those who didn't ask for me."

21 But as to Işrael he sayş, "åll day long I stretched out my handş to a disobedient and contrary people."

Romans 11

I äsk then, did Elohim reject his people? May it never be! For I ålso am an Işraelite, a desçendant of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin. 2 Elohim didn't reject his people, which he foreknew. Or don't you know what the Scripture says about Elijah? How he pleads with Elohim against Işrael: 3 "Lord, they have killed your prophets, they have broken down your åltars; and I am left alone, and they seek my life." 4 But how does Elohim answer him? "I have reserved for myself seven thousand men, who have not bowed the knee to Bääl." 5 Even so then at this present time ålso there is a remnant according to the election of grace. 6 And if by grace, then it is no longer of works; otherwise grace is no longer grace. But if it is of works, it is no longer grace; otherwise work is no longer work. 7 What then? That which Işrael seeks for, that he didn't obtain, but the chosen ones obtained it, and the rest were härdened.

8 According as it is written, "Elohim gave them a spirit of stupor, eyeş that they shoù/d not see, and earş that they shoù/d not hear, to this very day." 9 David

sayş, "Let **their** table be made a snare, and a trap, a stumbling block, and a retribution to **them**. 10 Let **their** eyeş be därkened, **th**at **th**ey may not see. Bow down **their** back ålwayş."

their fall salvation has come to the Gentiles, to provoke them to jealousy. 12 New if their fall is the riches of the world, and their loss the riches of the Gentiles; how much more their fullness? 13 For I speak to you who are Gentiles. Since then as I am an apostle to Gentiles, I glorify my ministry; 14 if by any means I may provoke to jealousy those who are my flesh, and may save some of them. 15 For if the rejection of them is the reconciling of the world, what would their acceptance be, but life from the dead? 16 If the first fruit is holy, so is the lump. If the root is holy, so are the branches. 17 But if some of the branches were broken off, and you, being a wild olive, were gräfted in among them, and became partaker with them of the root and of the richness of

the olive tree; 18 don't boast over the branches. But if you boast, it is not you whe support the reet, but the reet supports you. 19 You will say then, "Branches were broken off, that I might be gräfted in."

20 True; by their unbelief they were broken off, and you stand by your faith. Don't be conceited, but fear; 21 for if Elohim didn't spare the natural branches, neither will he spare you. 22 See then the goodness and severity of Elohim. Toward those whe fell, severity; but toward you, goodness, if you continue in his goodness; otherwise you also will be cut off. 23 They also, if they don't continue in their unbelief, will be grafted in, for Elohim is able to graft them in again. 24 For if you were cut out of that which is by nature a wild olive tree, and were grafted contrary to nature into a good olive tree, how much more will these, which are the natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree? 25 For I don't desire you to be ignorant, brothers, of this mystery, so that you won't be wise in your own conceits, that a partial hardening has happened to Israel, until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in, 26 and so all Israel will be saved. Even as it is written,

"There will come out of Zion the Deliverer, and he will turn away ungodliness from Jacob. 27 This is my covenant to them, when I will take away their sins."

28 Conçêrning the Good News, they are enemies for your sake. But conçêrning the election, they are beloved for the fäthers' sake. 29 For the gifts and the calling of Elohim are irrevocable. 30 For as you in time past were disobedient to Elohim, but now have obtained mêrçy by their disobedience, 31 even so these also have now been disobedient, that by the mêrçy shown to you they may also obtain mêrçy. 32 For Elohim has shut up all to disobedience, that he might have mêrçy on all.

33 Oh the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and the knowledge of **Elohim!** How unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past tracing out! 34 "For who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor?" 35 "Or who has

first given to him, and it will be repaid to him again?" 36 For of him, and **th**rough him, and to him, are **å**ll **th**ing**s**. To him be the gl**ô**ry for ever! Amen.

Romans 12

Therefore I ûrge you, brothers, by the mêrcies of Elohim, to present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to **Elohim**, which is your spiritual service. 2 Don't be conformed to **th**is world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may preve what is the good, well-pleasing, and perfect will of **Elohim**. 3 For I say, **th**rough the grace that was given me, to every man whe is among you, not to **th**ink of himself more highly **th**an he ought to **th**ink; but to **th**ink reasonably, as Elohim has apportioned to each person a measure of faith. 4 For even as we have many members in one body, and all the members don't have the same function, 5 so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. 6 Having gifts differing according to the grace that was given to us, if prophecy, let us prophecy according to the proportion of our faith; 7 or service, let us give ourselves to service; or he who teaches, to his teaching; 8 or he who exhorts, to his exhorting: he who gives, let him do it with liberality; he who rules, with diligençe; he who shows mêrçy, with cheerfulness. 9 Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor that which is evil. Cling to that which is good. 10 In love of the brothers be tenderly affectionate to one another; in honor preferring one another; 11 not lagging in diligence; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord; 12 rejoicing in hope; enduring in troubles; continuing steadfastly in prayer; 13 contributing to the needs of the saints; given to hospitality. 14 Bless those who persecute you; bless, and don't cûrse. 15 Rejoice with those who rejoice. Weep with those who weep. 16 Be of the same mind one toward another. Don't set your mind on high things, but associate with the humble. Don't be wişe in Vour conceits. 17 Repay no one evil for evil. Respect what is honorable in the sight of all men. 18 If it is possible, as much as it is up to you, be at peace with all men. 19 Don't seek revenge yourselves, beloved, but give place to God's wrath. For it is written, "Vengeançe belongş to me; I will repay, sayş the Lord." 20 Therefore "If your enemy is hungry, feed him. If he is thirsty, give him a drink; for in deing so, you will heap coals of fire on his head."

21 Don't be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Romans 13

Let every soul be in subjection to the higher authorities, for there is no authority except from Elohim, and those who exist are ordained by Elohim. 2 Therefore he who resists the authority, withstands the ordinance of Elohim; and those who withstand will receive to themselves judgment. 3 For rulers are not a terror to the good work, but to the evil. Do you desire to have no fear of the authority? Do that which is good, and you will have praise from the same, 4 for he is a servant of Elohim to you for good.

But if you de that which is evil, be afraid, for he doesn't bear the sword in vain; for he is a servant of Elohim, an avenger for wräth to him whe does evil. 5 Therefore you need to be in subjection, not only because of the wräth, but also for conscience' sake. 6 For this reason you also pay taxes, for they are servants of Elohim's service, attending continually on this very thing. 7 Therefore give everyone what you owe: if you owe taxes, pay taxes; if customs, then customs; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor. 8 Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for he whe loves his neighbor has fulfilled the Torah.

9 For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery," "You shall not murder," "You shall not steal," "You shall not covet," and whatever other commandments there are, are all summed up in this saying, namely, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." 10 Love doesn't harm a neighbor. Love therefore is the fulfillment of the Torah. 11 Do this, knowing the time, that it is already time for you to awaken out of sleep, for salvation is now nearer to us than when we first believed. 12 The night is far gone, and the day is near. Let's therefore throw off the deeds of darkness, and let's put on the armor of light. 13 Let us walk properly, as in the day; not in reveling and drunkenness, not in sexual promiscuity and lustful acts, and not in strife and jealousy. 14 But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, for its lusts.

Romans 14

New accept one who is weak in faith, but not for disputes over opinions. 2 One man has faith to eat all things, but he who is weak eats only vegetables. 3 Don't let him who eats despise him who doesn't eat. Don't let him who doesn't eat judge him who eats, for Elohim has accepted him. 4 Who are you who judge another's servant? To his own lord he stands or falls. Yes, he will be made to stand, for Elohim has power to make him stand.

5 One man esteems one day as more important. Another esteems every day alike. Let each man be fully assured in his own mind. 6 He who observes the day, observes it to the Lord; and he who does not observe the day, to the Lord he does not observe it. He who eats, eats to the Lord, for he gives Elohim thanks. He who doesn't eat, to the Lord he doesn't eat, and gives Elohim thanks. 7 For none of us lives to himself, and none dies to himself. 8 For if we live, we live to the Lord. Or if we die, we die to the Lord. If therefore we live or die, we are the Lord's. 9 For to this end Christ died, rose, and lived again, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

10 But you, why de you judge your brother? Or you again, why de you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. 11 For it is written,

"'As I live, says the Lord, 'to me every knee will bow. Every tongue will confess to **Elohim**."

12 So then each one of us will give account of himself to Elohim. 13 Therefore let's not judge one another any more, but judge this räther, that no man put a stumbling block in his brother's way, or an occasion for falling. 14 I know, and am persuaded in the Lord Jesus, that nothing is unclean of itself; except that to him who considers anything to be unclean, to him it is unclean. 15 Yet if because of feed your brother is grieved, you walk no longer in love. Don't destroy with your feed him for whom Christ died. 16 Then don't let your good be slandered, 17 for Elohim's Kingdom is not eating and drinking, but righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit. 18 For he who serves Christ in these things is acceptable to Elohim and approved by men. 19 So then, let us follow after things which make for peace, and things by which we may build one another up. 20 Don't overthrow Elohim's work for feed's sake. All things indeed are clean, however it is evil for that man who creates a stumbling block by eating. 21 It is good to not eat meat, drink wine, nor de anything by which your brother stumbles, is offended, or is made weak.

22 Do you have faith? Have it to yourself before **Elohim**. Happy is he who doesn't judge himself in **th**at which he approves. 23 But he who doubts is condemned if he eats, because it isn't of faith; and whatever is not of faith is sin.

24 New to him whe is able to establish you according to my Good News and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery which has been kept secret through long ages, 25 but new is revealed, and by the Scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the eternal Elohim, is made known for obedience of faith to all the nations; 26 to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, to whem be the glory forever! Amen.

Romans 15

Now we who are strong ought to bear the weaknesses of the weak, and not to please ourselves. 2 Let each one of us please his neighbor for that which is good, to be building him up. 3 For even Christ didn't please himself. But, as it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached you fell on me." 4 For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that through patience and through encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. 5 Now the Elohim of patience and of encouragement grant you to be of the same mind one with another according to Christ Jesus, 6 that with one accord you may with one mouth glorify the Elohim and Fäther of our Lord Jesus Christ.

7 Therefore accept one another, even as Christ also accepted you, to the glory of Elohim. 8 Now I say that Christ has been made a servant of the circumcision for the truth of Elohim, that he might confirm the promises given to the fathers, 9 and that the Gentiles might glorify Elohim for his mercy. As it is written,

"Therefore will I give praise to you among the Gentiles, and sing to your name."

10 Again he says,

"Rejoice, you Gentiles, with his people."

11 Again,

"Praişe the Lord, all you Gentiles! Let all the peoples praise him."

12 Again, Işaiah sayş,

"There will be the reet of Jesse, he whe arises to rule over the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles will hope."

13 New may the **Elohim** of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope, in the power of the Holy Spirit. 14 I myself am also persuaded about you, my brothers, that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish others. 15 But I write the more boldly to you in part, as reminding you, because of the grace that was given to me by **Elohim**, 16 that I should be a servant of Christ Jesus to the Gentiles, serving as a priest of the Good News of **Elohim**, that the offering up of the Gentiles might be made acceptable, sanctified by the Holy Spirit. 17 I have therefore my boesting in Christ Jesus in things pertaining to **Elohim**. 18 For I will not dare to speak of any things except those which Christ worked through me, for the obedience of the Gentiles, by word and deed, 19 in the power of signs and wonders, in the power of **Elohim**'s Spirit; so that from Jerusalem, and around as far as to Illyricum, I have fully preached the Good News of Christ; 20 yes, making it my aim to preach the Good News, not where Christ was already named, that I might not build on another's foundation. 21 But, as it is written,

"They will see, to whem no news of him came. They whe haven't heard will understand."

22 **Therefore** also I was hindered **these** many times from coming to you, 23 but now, no longer having any place in **these** regions, and having **these** many years a longing to come to you, 24 whenever I travel to Spain, I will come to you. For I hope to see you on my journey, and to be helped on my way there by you, if first I may enjoy your company for a while. 25 But now, I say, I am going to Jerusalem, serving the saints. 26 For it has been the good pleasure of Macedonia and Achaia to make a certain contribution for the poor among the saints who are at Jerusalem. 27 Yes, it has been their good pleasure, and they are their debtors.

For if the Gentiles have been made pärtakers of their spiritual things, they owe it to them also to serve them in fleshly things. 28 When therefore I have accomplished this, and have sealed to them this fruit, I will go on by way of you to Spain. 29 I know that, when I come to you, I will come in the fullness of the blessing of the Good News of Christ.

30 New I beg you, brothers, by our Lord Jesus Christ, and by the love of the Spirit, that you strive together with me in your prayers to Elohim for me, 31 that I may be delivered from those who are disobedient in Judea, and that my service which I have for Jerusalem may be acceptable to the saints; 32 that I may come to you in joy through the will of Elohim, and together with you, find rest. 33 New the Elohim of peace be with you all. Amen.

Romans 16

I commend to you **Phoe**be, **o**ur sister, who is a servant of the assembly **th**at is at Cenchreae, 2 **th**at you receive her in the Lord, in a way worthy of the saints, and **th**at you assist her in whatever matter she may need from you, for she herself also has been a helper of many, and of my own self.

3 Greet Prisca and Aquila, my fellow workers in Christ Jesus, 4 who for my life, laid down their own necks; to whom not only I give thanks, but also all the assemblies of the Gentiles. 5 Greet the assembly that is in their house. Greet Epaenetus, my beloved, who is the first fruits of Achaia to Christ. 6 Greet Mary, who labored much for us. 7 Greet Andronicus and Junia, my relatives and my fellow prisoner, who are notable among the apostles, who were also in Christ before me. 8 Greet Amplias, my beloved in the Lord. 9 Greet Urbanus, our fellow worker in Christ, and Stachys, my beloved. 10 Greet Apelles, the approved in Christ. Greet those who are of the household of Aristobulus. 11 Greet Herodion, my kinsman. Greet them of the household of Narcissus, who are in the Lord. 12 Greet Tryphaena and Tryphosa, who labor in the Lord. Greet Persis, the beloved, who labored much in the Lord. 13 Greet Rufus, the chosen in the Lord, and his mother and mine. 14 Greet Asyncritus, Phlegon, Hêrmes, Patrobas, Hêrmas, and the brothers who are with them. 15 Greet Philologus and Julia, Nereus and his sister, and Olympas, and åll the saints who are with them. 16 Greet one another with a holy kiss. The assemblies of Christ greet you.

17 Now I beg you, brothers, look out for those who are causing the divisions and occasions of stumbling, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and turn away from them. 18 For those who are such don't serve our Lord, Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by their smooth and flattering speech, they deceive the hearts of the innocent. 19 For your obedience has become known to all. I rejoice therefore over you. But I desire to have you wise in that which is good, but innocent in that which is evil. 20 And the Elohim of peace will quickly crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

21 Timothy, my fellow worker, greets you, as de Lucius, Jason, and Sosipater, my relatives. 22 I, Tertius, whe write the letter, greet you in the Lord. 23 Gaius, my host and host of the whole assembly, greets you. Erastus, the treasurer of the city, greets you, as does Quartus, the brother. 24 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all! Amen.

1 CORINTHIANS

1 Corinthians 1

Påul, cålled to be an apostle of Jeşuş Christ through the will of Elohim, and our brother Sosthenes, 2 to the assembly of Elohim which is at Corinth; those who are sanctified in Christ Jeşuş, cålled to be saints, with åll who cåll on the name of our Lord Jeşuş Christ in every place, both theirş and ourş: 3 Grace to you and peace from Elohim our Fäther and the Lord Jeşuş Christ.

4 I always thank my Elohim concerning you, for the grace of Elohim which was given you in Christ Jesus; 5 that in everything you were enriched in him, in all speech and all knowledge; 6 even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you: 7 so that you come behind in no gift; waiting for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ; 8 who will also confirm you until the end, blameless in the day of our Lord Jeşuş Christ. 9 Elohim is faithfül, through whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jeşuş Christ, our Lord. 10 Now I beg you, brothers, through the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfected together in the same mind and in the same judgment. 11 For it has been reported to me concerning you, my brothers, by those who are from Chloe's household, that there are contentions among you. 12 New I mean this, that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," "I follow Apollos," "I follow Cephas," and, "I follow Christ." 13 Is Christ divided? Was Påul crucified for you? Or were you baptized into the name of Paul? 14 I thank Elohim that I baptized none of you, except Crispus and Gaius, 15 so that no one should say that I had baptized you into my own name. 16 (I also baptized the household of Stephanas; besides them, I don't know whether I baptized any other.) 17 For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the Good News—not in wisdom of words, so that the cross of Christ wouldn't be made void. 18 For the word of the cross is feelishness to those whe are dying, but to us whe are saved it is the power of **Elohim**. 19 For it is written,

"I will destroy the wişdom of the wişe, I will bring the disçêrnment of the disçêrning to nothing."

20 Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the lawyer of this world? Haşn't Elohim made feelish the wişdom of this world? 21 For seeing that in the wişdom of Elohim, the world through its wisdom didn't know Elohim, it was Elohim's good pleasure through the feelishness of the preaching to save those whe believe. 22 For Jews äsk for signs, Greeks seek äfter wisdom, 23 but we preach Christ crucified; a stumbling block to Jews, and feelishness to Greeks, 24 but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ is the power of Elohim and the wişdom of Elohim. 25 Becauşe the feelishness of Elohim is wişer than men, and the weakness of **Elohim** is stronger than men. 26 For you see your calling, brothers, that not many are wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, and not many noble; 27 but **Elohim chose** the feelish things of the world that he might put to shame those who are wise. Elohim chose the weak things of the world, that he might put to shame the things that are strong; 28 and Elohim chose the lowly things of the world, and the things that are despised, and the things that are not, that he might bring to nothing the things that are: 29 that no flesh should boast before Elohim. 30 Becauşe of him, you are in Christ Jeşuş, who was made to us wişdom from **Elohim**, and righteousness and sanctification, and redemption: 31 that, according as it is written, "He who boasts, let him boast in the Lord."

1 Corinthians 2

When I came to you, brothers, I didn't come with excellence of speech or of wisdom, proclaiming to you the testimony of **Elohim**. 2 For I determined not to know anything among you, except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. 3 I was with you in weakness, in fear, and in much trembling. 4 My speech and my preaching were not in persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, 5 that your faith wouldn't stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of **Elohim**. 6 We speak wisdom, however, among those who are full grown; yet a wisdom not of this world, nor of the rulers of this world, who are coming to nothing. 7 But we speak **Elohim's** wisdom in a mystery, the wisdom that has been hidden, which **Elohim** foreordained before the worlds for our glory, 8 which none of the rulers of this world has known. For had they known it, they wouldn't have crucified the Lord of glory. 9 But as it is written.

"things which an eye didn't see, and an ear didn't hear, which didn't enter into the heart of man, these Elohim has prepared for those whe love him."

10 But to us, **Elohim** revealed **th**em **th**rough the Spirit. For the Spirit searches all **th**ings, yes, the deep **th**ings of **Elohim**. 11 For whe among men knows the **th**ings of a man, except the spirit of the man, which is in him? Even so, no one knows the **th**ings of **Elohim**, except **Elohim**'s Spirit. 12 But we received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit which is from **Elohim**, that we might know the **th**ings that were freely given to us by **Elohim**. 13 Which **th**ings also we speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches, but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual **th**ings. 14 New the natural man doesn't receive the **th**ings of **Elohim**'s Spirit, for they are feelishness to him, and he can't know them, because they are spiritually discened. 15 But he whe is spiritual discens all **th**ings, and he himself is judged by no one. 16 "For whe has known the mind of the Lord, that he shoù/d instruct him?" But we have Christ's mind.

1 Corinthians 3

Brothers, I couldn't speak to you as to spiritual, but as to fleshly, as to bables in Christ. 2 I fed you with milk, not with meat; for you weren't yet ready. Indeed, not even now are you ready, 3 for you are still fleshly. For insofar as there is jealousy, strife, and factions among you, aren't you fleshly, and don't you walk in the ways of men? 4 For when one says, "I follow Paul," and another, "I follow Apollos," aren't you fleshly? 5 Who then is Apollos, and who is Paul, but servants through whom you believed; and each as the Lord gave to him? 6 I planted. Apollos watered. But Elohim gave the increase. 7 So then neither he who plants is anything, nor he who waters, but Elohim who gives the increase. 8 Now he who plants and he who waters are the same, but each will receive his own reward according to his own labor. 9 For we are Elohim's fellow workers. You are Elohim's farming, Elohim's building.

10 According to the grace of **Elohim** which was given to me, as a wise mäster builder I laid a foundation, and another builds on it. But let **each** man be careful how he builds on it. 11 For no one can lay any other foundation than that which has been laid, which is Jesus Christ. 12 But if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay, or stubble; 13 **each** man's work will be revealed. For the day will declare it, because it is revealed in fire; and the fire itself will test what sort of work **each** man's work is. 14 If any man's work remains which he built on it, he will receive a reward. 15 If any man's work is bûrned, he will suffer loss, but he himself will be saved, but as **th**rough fire.

16 Don't you know that you are a temple of **Elohim**, and **th**at **Elohim**'s Spirit lives in you? 17 If anyone destroys **Elohim**'s temple, **each Elohim**, will destroy him; for **Elohim**'s temple is holy, which you are.

18 Let no one deçeive himself. If anyone thinks that he is wise among you in this world, let him become a feel, that he may become wise. 19 For the wisdom of this world is feelishness with Elohim. For it is written, "He has taken the wise in their cräftiness." 20 And again, "The Lord knows the reasoning of the wise, that it is worthless." 21 Therefore let no one boast 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 you are Christ's, and Christ is Elohim's.

1 Corinthians 4

So let a man think of us as Christ's sêrvants, and stewards of Elohim's mysteries. 2 Here, môreover, it is required of stewards, that they be found faithful. 3 But with me it is a very småll thing that I should be judged by you, or by man's judgment. Yes, I don't judge my own self. 4 For I know nothing against myself. Yet I am not justified by this, but he who judges me is the Lord. 5 Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord comes, who will both bring to light the hidden things of därkness, and reveal the counsels of the heärts. Then each man will get his praise from Elohim.

6 New these things, brothers, I have in a figure transferred to myself and Apollos for your sakes, that in us you might learn not to think beyond the things which are written, that none of you be puffed up against one another. 7 For who makes you different? And what do you have that you didn't receive? But if you did receive it, why do you boast as if you had not received it? 8 You are already filled. You have already become rich. You have come to reign without us. Yes, and I wish that you did reign, that we also might reign with you. 9 For, I think that Elohim has displayed us, the apostles, last of all, like men sentenced to death. For we are made a spectacle to the world, both to angels and men. 10 We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You have honor, but we have dishonor. 11 Even to this present hour we hunger, thirst, are naked, are beaten, and have no certain dwelling place.

12 We toil, working with our own hands. When people curse us, we bless. Being persecuted, we endure. 13 Being defamed, we entreat. We are made as the filth of the world, the dirt wiped off by all, even until now. 14 I don't write these things to shame you, but to admonish you as my beloved children. 15 For though you have ten thousand tutors in Christ, yet not many fathers. For in Christ Jesus, I became your father through the Good News. 16 I beg you therefore, be imitators of me. 17 Because of this I have sent Timothy to you, who is my beloved and faithful child in the Lord, who will remind you of my ways which are in Christ, even as I teach everywhere in every assembly. 18 Now some are puffed up, as though I were not coming to you. 19 But I will come to you shortly, if the Lord is willing. And I will know, not the word of those who are puffed up, but the power. 20 For Elohim's Kingdom is not in word, but in power. 21 What do you want? Shall I come to you with a rod, or in love and a spirit of gentleness?

1 Corinthians 5

It is actually reported that there is sexual immorality among you, and such sexual immorality as is not even named among the Gentiles, that one has his father's wife. 2 You are puffed up, and didn't rather mourn, that he who had done this deed might be removed from among you. 3 For I most certainly, as being absent in body but present in spirit, have already, as though I were present, judged him who has done this thing. 4 In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, you being gathered together, and my spirit, with the power of our Lord Jesus Christ, 5 are to deliver such a one to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.

6 Your boasting is not good. Don't you know that a little yeast leavens the whole lump? 7 Pûrge out the old yeast, that you may be a new lump, even as you are unleavened. For indeed Christ, our Pässover, has been sacrificed in our place. 8 Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old yeast, neither with the yeast of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. 9 I wrote to you in my letter to have no company with sexual sinners; 10 yet not at all meaning with the sexual sinners of this world, or with the covetous and extortionists, or with idolaters; for then you would have to leave the world. 11 But as it is, I wrote to you not to associate with anyone whe is called a brother whe is a sexual sinner, or covetous, or an idolater, or a slanderer, or a drunkard, or an extortionist. Don't even eat with such a person. 12 For what have I to do with also judging those whe are outside? Don't you judge those whe are within? 13 But those whe are outside, Elohim judges. "Put away the wicked man from among yourselves."

1 Corinthians 6

Dare any of you, having a matter against his neighbor, go to Tổrah befổre the unrighteous, and not befổre the saints? 2 Don't you know that the saints will judge the wôrld? And if the wôrld is judged by you, are you unwôrthy to judge the

smållest matters? 3 Don't you know that we will judge angels? How much more, things that pertain to this life? 4 If then, you have to judge things pertaining to this life, do you set them to judge who are of no account in the assembly? 5 I say this to meve you to shame. Isn't there even one wise man among you who would be able to decide between his brothers? 6 But brother goes to the Torah with brother, and that before unbelievers! 7 Therefore it is already altogether a defect in you, that you have lawsuits one with another. Why not rather be wronged? Why not rather be defråuded? 8 No, but you yourselves de wrong, and defråud, and that against your brothers. 9 Or don't you know that the unrighteous will not inherit Elohim's Kingdom? Don't be deçeived. Neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adultererş, nor male prostitutes, nor homosexualş, 10 nor thieveş, nor covetous, nor nor slanderers, nor extortionists, will inherit Kingdom. 11 Such were some of you, but you were washed. But you were sanctified. But you were justified in the name of the Lord Jeşuş, and in the Spirit of our Elohim. 12 "åll things are låwful for me," but not åll things are expedient. "åll things are låwful for me," but I will not be brought under the power of anything. 13 "Feeds for the belly, and the belly for feeds," but Elohim will bring to nothing both it and them. But the body is not for sexual immorality, but for the Lord; and the Lord for the body. 14 New Elohim raised up the Lord, and will also raise us up by his power. 15 Don't you know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ, and make them members of a prostitute? May it never be! 16 Or don't you know that he who is joined to a prostitute is one body? For, "The two", he says, "will become one flesh." 17 But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit. 18 Flee sexual immorality! "Every sin that a man does is outside the body," but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body. 19 Or don't you know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit which is in you, which you have from **Elohim**? You are not your own, 20 for you were bought with a price. Therefore glorify Elohim in your body and in your spirit, which are Elohim'ş.

1 Corinthians 7

New conçêrning the things about which you wrote to me: it is good for a man not to touch a woman. 2 But, because of sexual immoralities, let each man have his own wife, and let each woman have her own husband. 3 Let the husband render to his wife the affection owed her, and likewise also the wife to her husband. 4 The wife doesn't have authority over her own body, but the husband. Likewise also the husband doesn't have authority over his own body, but the wife. 5 Don't deprive one another, unless it is by consent for a season, that you may give yourselves to fasting and prayer, and may be together again, that Satan doesn't tempt you because of your lack of self-control.

6 But this I say by way of concession, not of commandment. 7 Yet I wish that all men were like me. However each man has his own gift from Elohim, one of this kind, and another of that kind. 8 But I say to the unmarried and to widows, it is good for them if they remain even as I am. 9 But if they don't have self-control, let them

marry. For it's better to marry **th**an to bûrn. 10 But to the married I command—not I, but the Lord—that the wife not leave her huşband 11 (but if she depärts, let her remain unmarried, or else be reconçiled to her huşband), and **th**at the huşband not leave his wife.

12 But to the rest I—not the Lord—say, if any brother has an unbelieving wife, and she is content to live with him, let him not leave her. 13 The woman who has an unbelieving husband, and he is content to live with her, let her not leave her husband. 14 For the unbelieving husband is sanctified in the wife, and the unbelieving wife is sanctified in the husband. otherwise your children would be unclean, but now they are holy. 15 Yet if the unbeliever departs, let there be separation. The brother or the sister is not under bondage in such cases, but Elohim has called us in peace. 16 For how do you know, wife, whether you will save your husband? Or how do you know, husband, whether you will save your wife? 17 Only, as the Lord has distributed to each man, as Elohim has called each, so let him walk. So I command in all the assemblies.

18 Was anyone called having been circumcised? Let him not become uncircumcised. unçîrcumçişion? be Ha**ş** anyone been c**å**lled Let him not cîrcumçişed. 19 Cîrcumçişion is nothing, and uncîrcumçişion is nothing, but the keeping of the commandments of Elohim. 20 Let each man stay in that calling in which he was called 21 Were you called being a bondservant? Don't let that bother you, but if you get an opportunity to become free, use it. 22 For he who was cålled in the Lord being a bondsêrvant is the Lord's free man. Likewise he who was cålled being free is Christ's bondsêrvant. 23 You were bought with a price. Don't become bondsêrvants of men. 24 Brothers, let each man, in whatever condition he was called, stay in that condition with Elohim.

25 New conçêrning vîrginş, I have no commandment from the Lord, but I give my judgment as one who has obtained mêrçy from the Lord to be trustworthy. 26 l think that it is good therefore, because of the distress that is on us, that it is good for a man to be as he is. 27 Are you bound to a wife? Don't seek to be freed. Are you free from a wife? Don't seek a wife. 28 But if you marry, you have not sinned. If a vîrgin marrieş, she haş not sinned. Yet such will have oppression in the flesh, and I want to spare you. 29 But I say this, brothers: the time is short, that from new on, both those who have wives may be as though they had none; 30 and those who weep, as though they didn't weep; and those who rejoice, as though they didn't rejoice; and those who buy, as though they didn't possess; 31 and those who use the wôrld, as not uşing it to the fullest. For the mode of this wôrld passes away. 32 But I desire to have you to be free from cares. He who is unmarried is concerned for the **th**ings of the Lord, how he may please the Lord; 33 but he who is married is conçêrned about the things of the world, how he may please his wife. 34 There is ålso a difference between a wife and a virgin. The unmarried woman cares about the **th**ings of the Lord, **th**at she may be holy both in body and in spirit. But she who is married cares about the **th**ings of the world—how she may please her husband.

35 This I say for your own profit; not that I may ensnare you, but for that which is appropriate, and that you may attend to the Lord without distraction. 36 But if any man thinks that he is behaving inappropriately toward his virgin, if she is past the flower of her age, and if need so requires, let him do what he desires. He doesn't sin. Let them marry. 37 But he who stands steadfast in his heart, having no necessity, but has power over his own heart, to keep his own virgin, does well. 38 So then both he who gives his own virgin in marriage does well, and he who doesn't give her in marriage does better. 39 A wife is bound by Torah for as long as her husband lives; but if the husband is dead, she is free to be married to whomever she desires, only in the Lord. 40 But she is happier if she stays as she is, in my judgment, and I think that I also have Elohim's Spirit.

1 Corinthians 8

New conçerning things sacrificed to idols: We know that we all have knowledge. Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. 2 But if anyone thinks that he knows anything, he doesn't yet know as he ought to know. 3 But if anyone loves Elohim, the same is known by him. 4 Therefore conçerning the eating of things sacrificed to idols, we know that no idol is anything in the world, and that there is no other Elohim but one. 5 For though there are things that are called "gods", whether in the heavens or on **ê**ar**th**; as **there** are many "gods" and many "lords"; 6 yet to us **there** is one **Elohim**, the Fäther, of whom are all things, and we for him; and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things, and we live through him. 7 However, that knowledge isn't in all men. But some, with consciousness of the idol until new, eat as of a **th**ing sacrificed to an idol, and **th**eir conscience, being weak, is defiled. 8 But feed will not commend us to **Elohim**. For neither, if we don't eat, are we the wôrse; nor, if we eat, are we the better. 9 But be careful that by no means does this liberty of yours become a stumbling block to the weak. 10 For if a man sees you who have knowledge sitting in an idol's temple, won't his conscience, if he is weak, be emboldened to eat things sacrificed to idols? 11 And through your knowledge, he who is weak perishes, the brother for whose sake Christ died. 12 Thus, sinning against the brothers, and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. 13 Therefore if food causes my brother to stumble, I will eat no meat forever more, that I don't cause my brother to stumble.

1 Corinthians 9

Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Haven't I seen Jeşuş Christ, our Lord? ären't you my work in the Lord? If to others I am not an apostle, yet at least I am to you; for you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. 3 My defense to those who examine me is this. 4 Have we no right to eat and to drink? 5 Have we no right to take along a wife who is a believer, even as the rest of the apostles, and the brothers of the Lord, and Cephas? 6 Or have only Bärnabas and I no right to not work? 7 What soldier ever serves at his own expense? Who plants a vineyärd, and doesn't eat of its fruit? Or who feeds a flock, and doesn't drink from the flock's milk? 8 Do I speak these things according to the ways of men? Or doesn't the Torah also say the same thing? 9 For it is written in the Torah of Moses, "You shall not muzzle an ox while it

treads out the grain." Is it for the oxen that Elohim cares, 10 or does he say it assuredly for our sake? Yes, it was written for our sake, because he who plows ought to plow in hope, and he who threshes in hope should partake of his hope. 11 If we sowed to you spiritual **things**, is it a great **thing** if we reap your fleshly things? 12 If others partake of this right over you, don't we yet more? Nevertheless we did not use this right, but we bear all things, that we may cause no hindrance to the Good News of Christ. 13 Don't you know that those who serve around sacred things eat from the things of the temple, and those who wait on the altar have their portion with the altar? 14 Even so the Lord ordained that those who proclaim the Good News should live from the Good News. 15 But I have used none of these things, and I don't write these things that it may be done so in my case; for I would räther die, than that anyone should make my boasting void. 16 For if I preach the Good News, I have nothing to boast about; for necessity is laid on me; but woe is to me, if I don't preach the Good News. 17 For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward. But if not of my own will, I have a stewardship entrusted to me. 18 What then is my reward? That, when I preach the Good News, I may present the Good News of Christ without charge, so as not to abuse my authority in the Good News. 19 For though I was free from all, I brought myself under bondage to all, that I might gain the more. 20 To the Jews I became as a Jew, that I might gain Jews; to those who are under the Torah, as under the Torah, that I might gain those who are under the Torah; 21 to those who are without Torah, as without Torah (not being without Torah toward Elohim, but under Torah toward Christ), that I might win those who are without Torah. 22 To the weak I became as weak, that I might gain the weak. I have become all things to all men, that I may by all means save some. 23 New I do this for the sake of the Good News, that I may be a joint partaker of it. 24 Don't you know that those who run in a race all run, but one receives the prize? Run like that, that you may win. 25 Every man who strive in the games exercises self-control in all things. New they de it to receive a corruptible crewn, but we an incorruptible. 26 I therefore run like that, as not uncertainly. I fight like **th**at, as not beating the air, 27 but I beat my body and bring it into submission, lest by any means, äfter I have preached to others, I myself should be rejected.

1 Corinthians 10

Now I would not have you ignorant, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; 2 and were all baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea; 3 and all ate the same spiritual feed; 4 and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank of a spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. 5 However with most of them, Elohim was not well pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness. 6 Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted. 7 Don't be idolaters, as some of them were. As it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play." 8 Let us not commit sexual immorality, as some of them committed, and in one day twenty-three thousand fell. 9 Let us not test Christ, as some of them also

grumbled, and perished by the destroyer. 11 New all these things happened to them by way of example, and they were written for our admonition, on whom the ends of the ages have come. 12 Therefore let him who thinks he stands be careful that he doesn' fall.

13 No temptation has taken you except what is common to man. Elohim is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted above what you are able, but will with the temptation also make the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it. 14 Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry. 15 I speak as to wise men. Judge what I say. 16 The cup of blessing which we bless, isn't it a sharing of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, isn't it a sharing of the body of Christ? 17 Because there is one loaf of bread, we, who are many, are one body; for we all partake of the one loaf of bread. 18 Consider Israel according to the flesh. Don't those who eat the sacrifices participate in the altar?

19 What am I saying then? That a thing sacrificed to idols is anything, or that an idol is anything? 20 But I say that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to demons, and not to Elohim, and I don't desire that you would have fellowship with demons. 21 You can't both drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons. You can't both partake of the table of the Lord, and of the table of demónş. 22 Or de we provoke the Lord to jealousy? Are we stronger than he? 23 "all things are låwful for me," but not åll things are profitable. "åll things are låwful for me," but not **å**ll **th**ing**ş** build up. 24 Let no one seek his own, but **e**ach one his neighbor's good. 25 Whatever is sold in the butcher shop, eat, asking no question for the sake of conscience, 26 for "the earth is the Lord's, and its fullness." 27 But if one of those who don't believe invites you to a meal, and you are inclined to go, eat whatever is set before you, asking no questions for the sake of conscience. 28 But if anyone says to you, "This was offered to idols," don't eat it for the sake of the one whe told you, and for the sake of conscience. For "the earth is the Lord's, and all its füllness." 29 Conscience, I say, not your own, but the other's conscience. For why is my liberty judged by another conscience? 30 lf l pärtake with thankfulness, why am I denounced for that for which I give thanks? 31 Whether therefore you eat, or drink, or whatever you de, de all to the glory of Elohim. 32 Give no occasions for stumbling, either to Jews, or to Greeks, or to the assembly of Elohim; 33 even as I ålso please åll men in åll **th**ings, not seeking my own profit, but the profit of the many, that they may be saved.

1 Corinthians 11

Be imitators of me, even as I also am of Christ. 2 New I praise you, brothers, that you remember me in all things, and hold firm the traditions, even as I delivered them to you. 3 But I would have you know that the head of every man is Christ, and the head of the woman is the man, and the head of Christ is Elohim. 4 Every man praying or prophesying, having his head covered, dishonors his head. 5 But every woman praying or prophesying with her head unveiled dishonors her head. For it is one and the same thing as if she were shaved. 6 For if a woman is not covered, let her hair also be cut off. But if it is shameful for a woman to be have her hair cut off or shaved,

let her be covered. 7 For a man indeed ought not to have his head covered, because he is the image and glory of **Elohim**, but the woman is the glory of the man. 8 For man is not from woman, but woman from man; 9 for man wasn't created for the woman, but woman for the man. 10 For this cause the woman ought to have authority on her head, because of the angels.

11 Nevertheless, neither is the woman independent of the man, nor the man independent of the woman, in the Lord. 12 For as woman came from man, so a man also comes through a woman; but all things are from Elohim. 13 Judge for yourselves. Is it appropriate that a woman pray to Elohim God unveiled? 14 Doesn't even nature itself teach you that if a man has long hair, it is a dishonor to him? 15 But if a woman has long hair, it is a glory to her, for her hair is given to her for a covering. 16 But if any man seems to be contentious, we have no such custom, neither de Elohim's assemblies.

17 But in giving you **th**is command, I **don**'t praise you, **th**at you **come** toge**ther** not for the better but for the **worse**. 18 For first of **all**, when you **come** toge**ther** in the assembly, I hear **th**at divisions exist among you, and I partly believe it. 19 For **there also** must be factions among you, **that those** who are approved may be revealed among you. 20 When **therefore** you assemble yourselves toge**ther**, it is not the Lord's supper **th**at you **e**at. 21 For in your **e**ating **e**ach one takes his **o**wn supper first. One is hungry, and another is drunken. 22 What, **don**'t you have houses to **e**at and to drink in? Or **do** you despise **Elohim's** assembly, and put **th**em to **shame** who **don**'t have? What **shall** I tell you? **Shall** I praise you? In **th**is I **don**'t praise you.

23 For I reçeived from the Lord that which also I delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night in which he was betrayed took bread. 24 When he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "Take, eat. This is my body, which is broken for you. De this in memory of me." 25 In the same way he also took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. De this, as often as you drink, in memory of me." 26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. 27 Therefore wheever eats this bread or drinks the Lord's cup in a way unwôrthy of the Lord will be guilty of the body and the blood of the Lord. 28 But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread, and drink of the cup. 29 For he whereats and drinks in an unworthy way eats and drinks judgment to himself, if he doesn't discern the Lord's body. 30 For this cause many among you are weak and sickly, and not a few sleep. 31 For if we discerned ourselves, we wouldn't be judged. 32 But when we are judged, we are punished by the Lord, that we may not be condemned with the world. 33 Therefore, my brothers, when you come together to eat, wait for one another. 34 But if anyone is hungry, let him eat at home, lest your coming together be for judgment. The rest I will set in order whenever I come.

1 Corinthians 12

New conçêrning spiritual **th**ings, brothers, I don't want you to be ignorant. 2 You know that when you were heathen, you were led away to those

mute idolş, however you might be led. 3 **Therefore I make** known to you **that** no man speaking by **Elohim's** Spirit sayş, "Jeşuş is accursed." No one can say, "Jeşuş is Lord," but by the Holy Spirit. 4 Now **there** are various kindş of gifts, but the same Spirit.

5 There are various kinds of sêrviçe, and the same Lord. 6 There are various kinds of workings, but the same Elohim, who works all things in all. 7 But to each one is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the profit of all. 8 For to one is given through the Spirit the word of wisdom, and to another the word of knowledge, according to the same Spirit; 9 to another faith, by the same Spirit; and to another gifts of healings, by the same Spirit; 10 and to another workings of miracles; and to another prophecy; and to another discerning of spirits; to another different kinds of languages; and to another the interpretation of languages. 11 But the one and the same Spirit produces all of these, distributing to each one separately as he desires.

12 For as the body is one, and has many members, and all the members of the body, being many, are one body; so also is Christ. 13 For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether bond or free; and were all given to drink into one spirit. 14 For the body is not one member, but many. 15 If the foot would say, "Becauşe I'm not the hand, I'm not part of the body," it is not therefore not part of the body. 16 If the ear would say, "Becauşe I'm not the eye, I'm not part of the body," it's not **therefore** not part of the body. 17 If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole were hearing, where would the smelling be? 18 But new God has set the members, each one of them, in the body, just as he desired. 19 If they were **å**ll one member, where wo**u**/d the body be? 20 But now **th**ey are many members, but one body. 21 The eye can't tell the hand, "I have no need for you," or again the head to the feet, "I have no need for you." 22 No, much räther, those members of the body which seem to be weaker are necessary. 23 Those parts of the body which we **th**ink to be less honorable, on **those** we bestow more abundant honor; and our unpreşentable pärts have more abundant propriety; 24 whereas our preşentable pärts have no such need. But God composed the body together, giving more abundant honor to the inferior part, 25 that there should be no division in the body, but that the members should have the same care for one another. 26 When one member suffers, åll the members suffer with it. Or when one member is honored, åll the members rejoice wi**th** it.

27 New you are the body of Christ, and members individually. 28 God has set some in the assembly: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracle workers, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, and various kinds of languages. 29 Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Are all miracle workers? 30 Do all have gifts of healings? De all speak with various languages? De all interpret? 31 But earnestly desire the best gifts. Moreover, I show a most excellent way to you.

1 Corinthians 13

If I speak with the languages of men and of angels, but don't have love, I have become sounding bräss, or a clanging cymbal. 2 If I have the gift of prophecy, and know all

mysterieş and åll knowledge; and if I have åll faith, so as to remeve mountains, but don't have love, I am nothing. 3 If I dole out åll my goods to feed the poor, and if I give my body to be bûrned, but don't have love, it profits me nothing.

4 Love is patient and is kind; love doeşn't envy. Love doeşn't brag, is not proud, 5 doesn't behave itself inappropriately, doeşn't seek its own way, is not provoked, takes no account of evil; 6 doesn't rejoiçe in unrighteousness, but rejoiçeş with the truth; 7 bearş âll thingş, believes âll thingş, hopes âll thingş, endureş âll thingş. 8 Love never failş. But where there are propheçieş, they will be done away with. Where there are various languageş, they will çease. Where there is knowledge, it will be done away with. 9 For we know in part, and we propheçy in part; 10 but when that which is complete has come, then that which is partial will be done away with. 11 When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I felt as a child, I thought as a child. Now that I have become a man, I have put away childish things. 12 For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then façe to façe. Now I know in part, but then I will know fully, even as I was âlso fully known. 13 But now faith, hope, and love remain — these three. The greatest of these is love.

1 Corinthians 14

Follow äfter love, and earnestly desire spiritual gifts, but especially that you may prophesy. 2 For he who speaks in another language speaks not to men, but to Elohim; for no one understands; but in the Spirit he speaks mysteries. 3 But he who prophesies speaks to men for their edification, exhortation, and consolation. 4 He who speaks in another language edifies himself, but he who prophesies edifies the assembly. 5 New I desire to have you all speak with other languages, but rather that you would prophesy. For he is greater who prophesies than he who speaks with other languages, unless he interprets, that the assembly may be built up.

6 But new, brothers, if I come to you speaking with other languages, what would I profit you, unless I speak to you either by way of revelation, or of knowledge, or of prophesying, or of teaching? 7 Even things without life, giving a voice, whether pipe or härp, if they didn't give a distinction in the sounds, how would it be known what is piped or härped? 8 For if the trumpet gave an uncertain sound, who would prepare himself for war? 9 So also you, unless you uttered by the tongue words easy to understand, how would it be known what is spoken? For you would be speaking into the air. 10 There are, it may be, so many kinds of sounds in the world, and none of them is without meaning. 11 If then I don't know the meaning of the sound, I would be to him who speaks a foreigner, and he who speaks would be a foreigner to me. 12 So also you, since you are zealous for spiritual gifts, seek that you may abound to the building up of the assembly. 13 Therefore let him who speaks in another language pray that he may interpret. 14 For if I pray in another language, my spirit prays, but my understanding is unfruitful.

15 What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also. I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also. 16 otherwise if you bless with the spirit, how will he who fills the place of

the unlearned say the "Amen" at your giving of thanks, seeing he doesn't know what you say? 17 For you most certainly give thanks well, but the other person is not built up. 18 I thank my Elohim, I speak with other languages more than you all. 19 However in the assembly I would rather speak five words with my understanding, that I might instruct others also, than ten thousand words in another language.

20 Brothers, don't be children in thoughts, yet in malice be babies, but in thoughts be mature. 21 In the Torah it is written, "By men of strange languages and by the lips of strangers I will speak to this people. Not even thus will they hear me, says the Lord." 22 Therefore other languages are for a sign, not to those who believe, but to the unbelieving; but prophesying is for a sign, not to the unbelieving, but to those who believe. 23 If therefore the whole assembly is assembled together and all speak with other languages, and unlearned or unbelieving people come in, won't they say that you are crazy? 24 But if all prophecy, and someone unbelieving or unlearned comes in, he is repreved by all, and he is judged by all. 25 And thus the secrets of his heart are revealed. So he will fall down on his face and worship Elohim, declaring that Elohim is among you indeed.

26 What is it then, brothers? When you come together, each one of you has a psalm, has a teaching, has a revelation, has another language, has an interpretation. Let all things be done to build each other up. 27 If any man speaks in another language, let it be two, or at the most three, and in turn; and let one interpret. 28 But if there is no interpreter, let him keep silent in the assembly, and let him speak to himself, and to Elohim. 29 Let the prophets speak, two or three, and let the others discern. 30 But if a revelation is made to another sitting by, let the first keep silent. 31 For you all can prophesy one by one, that all may learn, and all may be exhorted. 32 The spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets, 33 for Elohim is not an Elohim of confusion, but of peace.

As in all the assemblies of the saints, 34 let your wives keep silent in the assemblies, for it has not been permitted for them to speak; but let them be in subjection, as the Torah also says. 35 lf they desire to learn anything, let them ask their own husbands at home, for it is shameful for a woman to chatter in the assembly. 36 What? Was it from you that the word of Elohim went out? Or did it come to you alone? 37 lf any man thinks himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him recognize the things which I write to you, that they are the commandment of the Lord. 38 But if anyone is ignorant, let him be ignorant. 39 Therefore, brothers, desire earnestly to prophesy, and don't forbid speaking with other languages. 40 Let all things be done decently and in order.

1 Corinthians 15

New I declare to you, brothers, the Good News which I preached to you, which also you received, in which you also stand, 2 by which also you are saved, if you

hold firmly the word which I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. 3 For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, 5 and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. 6 Then he appeared to over five hundred brothers at once, most of whom remain until now, but some have also fallen asleep. 7 Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, 8 and last of all, as to the child born at the wrong time, he appeared to me also. 9 For I am the least of the apostles, who is not worthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the assembly of Elohim. 10 But by the grace of Elohim I am what I am. His grace which was given to me was not futile, but I worked more than all of them; yet not I, but the grace of Elohim which was with me. 11 Whether then it is I or they, so we preach, and so you believed.

12 New if Christ is preached, that he has been raised from the dead, hew de some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? 13 But if there is no resurrection of the dead, neither has Christ been raised. 14 If Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain, and your faith also is in vain. 15 Yes, we are found false witnesses of Elohim, because we testified about Elohim that he raised up Christ, when he didn't raise up, if it is so that the dead are not raised. 16 For if the dead aren't raised, neither has Christ been raised. 17 If Christ has not been raised, your faith is vain; you are still in your sins. 18 Then they also whe are fallen asleep in Christ have perished. 19 If we have only hoped in Christ in this life, we are of all men most pitiable.

20 But now Christ has been raised from the dead. He became the first fruits of those who are asleep. 21 For since death came by man, the resurrection of the dead also came by man. 22 For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive. 23 But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then those who are Christ's, at his coming. 24 Then the end comes, when he will deliver up the Kingdom to Elohim, even the Fäther; when he will have abolished all rule and all authority and power. 25 For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. 26 The läst enemy that will be abolished is death. 27 For, "He put åll things in subjection under his feet." But when he says, "all things are put in subjection", it is evident that he is excepted who subjected all **th**ings to him. 28 When all **th**ings have been subjected to him, then the Son will also himself be subjected to him who subjected åll things to him, that Elohim may be åll in åll. 29 Or else what will they de whe are baptized for the dead? If the dead ären't raised at all, why then are they baptized for the dead? 30 Why de we also stand in jeopardy every hour? 31 I affirm, by the boasting in you which I have in Christ Jeşuş our Lord, I die daily. 32 lf I fought with animals at Ephesus for human pûrposes, what does it profit me? If the dead are not raised, then "let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die." 33 Don't be deceived! "Evil companionships corrupt good morals." 34 Wake up righteously, and don't sin, for some have no knowledge

of **Elohim**. I say **th**is to your **sha**me. 35 But someone will say, "How are the dead raised?" and, "With what kind of body do they come?" 36 You foolish one, that which you yourself sow is not made alive unless it dies. 37 That which you sow, you don't sow the body that will be, but a bare grain, maybe of wheat, or of some other kind. 38 But **Elohim** gives it a body even as it pleased him, and to each seed a body of its own. 39 All flesh is not the same flesh, but there is one flesh of men, another flesh of animals, another of fish, and another of birds. 40 There are also celestial bodies, and terrestrial bodies; but the glory of the celestial differs from that of the terrestrial. 41 There is one glory of the sun, another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stärs; for one stär differs from another stär in glory. 42 So also is the resurrection of the dead. The body is sown perishable; it is raised imperishable. 43 It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness; it is raised in power. 44 It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body and there is also a spiritual body.

45 So ålso it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living soul." The läst Adam became a life-giving spirit. 46 However that which is spiritual işn't first, but that which is natural, then that which is spiritual. 47 The first man is of the êarth, made of dust. The second man is the Lord from heaven. 48 As is the one made of dust, such are those who are also made of dust; and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly. 49 As we have borne the image of those made of dust, let's also bear the image of the heavenly. 50 Now I say this, brothers, that flesh and blood cän't inherit Elohim's Kingdom; neither does the perishable inherit imperishable.

51 Behold, I tell you a mystery. We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed, 52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the läst trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we will be changed. 53 For this perishable body must become imperishable, and this mortal must put on immortality. 54 But when this perishable body will have become imperishable, and this mortal will have put on immortality, then what is written will happen: "Death is swallowed up in victory."

55 "Death, where is your sting? Hades, where is your victory?"

56 The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the Torah . 57 But thanks be to **Elohim**, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 58 Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of YAHWEH, because you know that your labor is not in VAHWEH.

1 Corinthians 16

New conçêrning the collection for the saints, as I commanded the assemblies of Galatia, you do likewise. 2 On the first day of the week, let each one of you save, as he may prosper, that no collections be made when I come. 3 When I arrive, I will send wheever you approve with letters to carry your gracious gift to Jerusalem. 4 If it is appropriate for me to go also, they will go with me. 5 But I will come to you when I have passed through Macedonia, for I am passing through Macedonia

- . 6 But with you it may be that I will stay, or even winter, that you may send me on my joûrney wherever I go. 7 For I do not wish to see you now in passing, but I hope to stay a while with you, if the Lord permits. 8 But I will stay at Ephesus until Pentecost, 9 for a great and effective door has opened to me, and there are many adversaries. 10 Now if Timothy comes, see that he is with you without fear, for he does the work of YAHWEH, as I also do. 11 Therefore let no one despise him. But set him forward on his joûrney in peace, that he may come to me; for I expect him with the brothers.
- 12 New conçêrning Apollos, the brother, I strongly ûrged him to come to you with the brothers; and it was not at all his desire to come new; but he will come when he has an opportunity.
- 13 Watch! Stand firm in the faith! Be courageous! Be strong! 14 Let all that you de be done in love.
- 15 New I beg you, brothers (you know the house of Stephanas, that it is the first fruits of Achaia, and that they have set themselves to serve the saints), 16 that you also be in subjection to such, and to everyone who helps in the work and labors. 17 I rejoice at the coming of Stephanas, Fortunatus, and Achaicus; for that which was lacking on your part, they supplied. 18 For they refreshed my spirit and yours. Therefore acknowledge those who are like that.
- 19 The assemblies of Asia greet you. Aquila and Pricilla greet you much in the Lord, together with the assembly that is in their house. 20 All the brothers greet you. Greet one another with a holy kiss.
- 21 **Th**is greeting is by me, Påul, with my own hand. 22 If any man doeşn't love the Lord Jeşuş Christ, let him be accursed. Come, Lord! 23 The graçe of the Lord Jeşuş Christ be with you. 24 My love to åll of you in Christ Jeşuş. Amen.

2 CORINTHIANS

2 Corinthians 1

Påul, an apostle of Christ Jeşuş through the will of **Elohim** God, and Timothy our brother, to the assembly of **Elohim** which is at Corinth, with all the saints who are in the whole of Achaia: 2 Graçe to you and peace from **Elohim** our Fäther and the Lord Jeşuş Christ.

3 Blessed be the **Elohim** and Fäther of our Lord Jeşuş Christ, the Fäther of mêrçieş and Elohim of åll comfort; 4 who comforts us in åll our affliction, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, through the comfort with which we surselves are comforted by **Elohim**. 5 For as the sufferings of Christ abound to us, even so our comfort also abounds through Christ. 6 But if we are afflicted, it is for your comfort and salvation. If we are comforted, it is for your comfort, which produces in you the patient enduring of the same sufferings which we also suffer. 7 Our hope for you is steadfäst, knowing that, since you are pärtakers of the sufferings, so also are you of the comfort. 8 For we don't desire to have you uninformed, brothers, concerning our affliction which happened to us in Asia, that we were weighed down exceedingly, beyond our power, so much that we despaired even of life. 9 Yes, we ourselves have had the sentence of death within ourselves, that we should not trust in ourselves, but in Elohim who raises the dead, 10 who delivered us out of so great a death, and does deliver; on whom we have set our hope that he will also still deliver us; 11 you also helping together on our behalf by your supplication; that, for the gift given to us by means of many, thanks may be given by many persons on your behalf. 12 For our boasting is this: the testimony of our conscience, that in holiness and sincerity of Elohim, not in fleshly wisdom but in the grace of **Elohim** we behaved **o**urselves in the world, and more abundantly toward you. 13 For we write no other things to you, than what you read or even acknowledge, and I hope you will acknowledge to the end; 14 as also you acknowledged us in part, that we are your boasting, even as you also are ours, in the day of our Lord Jeşuş. 15 In this confidence, I was detêrmined to come fîrst to you, that you might have a second benefit; 16 and by you to pass into Macedonia, and again from Maçedonia to come to you, and to be sent forward by you on my journey to Judea. 17 When I therefore was thus detêrmined, did I show fickleness? Or the things that I pûrpose, de I pûrpose according to the flesh, that with me there should be the "Yes, yes" and the "No, no?" 18 But as **Elohim** is fai**th**ful, our word toward you was not "Yes and no." 19 For the Son of Elohim, Jesus Christ, who was preached among you by us, by me, Silvanus, and Timothy, was not "Yes and no," but in him is "Yes." 20 For however many are the promises of **Elohim**, in him is the "Yes." Therefore also through him is the "Amen", to the glory of Elohim through us.21 New he whe establishes us with you in Christ, and anointed us, is Elohim; 22 who ålso sealed us, and gave us the down payment of the Spirit in our heärts. 23 But I call **Elohim** for a witness to my soul, that I didn't come to Corinth to

spare you. 24 Not that we control your faith, but are fellow workers with you for your joy. For you stand firm in faith.

2 Corinthians 2

But I determined this for myself, that I would not come to you again in sorrow. 2 For if I make you sorry, then who will make me glad but he who is made sorry by me? 3 And I wrote this very thing to you, so that, when I came, I wouldn't have sorrow from them of whem I bught to rejoice; having confidence in you all, that my joy would be shared by all of you. 4 For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote to you with many tears, not that you should be made sorry, but that you might know the love that I have so abundantly for you. 5 But if any has caused sorrow, he has caused sorrow, not to me, but in part (that I not press tee heavily) to you all. 6 This punishment which was inflicted by the many is sufficient for such a one; 7 so that on the contrary you should rather forgive him and comfort him, lest by any means such a one should be swallowed up with his excessive sorrow. 8 Therefore I beg you to confirm your love toward him. 9 For to this end I also wrote, that I might know the proof of you, whether you are obedient in all things. 10 Now I also forgive whomever you forgive any**th**ing. For if indeed I have forgiven any**th**ing, I have forgiven that one for your sakes in the preşençe of Christ, 11 that no advantage may be gained over us by Satan; for we are not ignorant of his schemes.

12 New when I came to Troas for the Good News of Christ, and when a door was opened to me in the Lord, 13 I had no relief for my spirit, because I didn't find Titus, my brother, but taking my leave of them, I went out into Mace-donia. 14 New thanks be to Elohim, whe always leads us in triumph in Christ, and reveals through us the sweet aroma of his knowledge in every place. 15 For we are a sweet aroma of Christ to Elohim, in those whe are saved, and in those whe perish; 16 to the one a stench from death to death; to the other a sweet aroma from life to life. Whe is sufficient for these things? 17 For we are not as so many, peddling the word of Elohim. But as of sincerity, but as of Elohim, in the sight of Elohim, we speak in Christ.

2 Corinthians 3

Are we beginning again to commend ourselves? Or do we need, as do some, letters of commendation to you or from you? 2 You are our letter, written in our hearts, known and read by all men; 3 being revealed that you are a letter of Christ, served by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living Elohim; not in tablets of stone, but in tablets that are hearts of flesh. 4 Such confidence we have through Christ toward Elohim; 5 not that we are sufficient of ourselves, to account anything as from ourselves; but our sufficiency is from Elohim; 6 who also made us sufficient as servants of a new covenant; not of the letter, but of the Spirit. For the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life. 7 But if the service of death, written engraved on stones, came with glory, so that the children of Israel could not look steadfastly on the face of Moses for the glory of his face; which was passing away:

8 won't sêrviçe of the Spirit be with much more glory? 9 For if the sêrviçe of condemnation has glory, the sêrviçe of righteousness exceeds much more in glory. 10 For most cêrtainly that which has been made glorious has not been made glorious in this respect, by reason of the glory that surpasses. 11 For if that which passes away was with glory, much more that which remains is in glory.

12 Having therefore such a hope, we use great boldness of speech, 13 and not as Moşeş, who put a veil on his façe, that the children of Işrael wouldn't look steadfästly on the end of that which was passing away. 14 But their minds were hardened, for until this very day at the reading of the old covenant the same veil remains, because in Christ it passes away. 15 But to this day, when Moses is read, a veil lies on their heart. 16 But whenever one turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. 17 Now YAHWEH is the Spirit and where the Spirit of YAHWEY is, there is liberty. 18 But we all, with unveiled face seeing the glory of YAHWEY as in a mirror, are transformed into the same image from glory to glory, even as from YAHWEH, the Spirit.

2 Corinthians 4

Therefore seeing we have this ministry, even as we obtained mêrçy, we don't faint. 2 But we have renounced the hidden things of shame, not wakking in craftiness, not handling the word of Elohim deceitfully; but by the manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of. 3 Even if our Good News is veiled, it is veiled in those who perish; 4 in whom the Elohim of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving, that the light of the Good News of the glory of Christ, who is the image of Elohim, should not down on them. 5 For we don't preach ourselves, but Christ Jesus as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake; 6 seeing it is Elohim who said, "Light will shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of Elohim in the face of Jesus Christ.

7 But we have this treaşure in clay vessels, that the exceeding greatness of the power may be of Elohim, and not from ourselves. 8 We are pressed on every side, yet not crushed; perplexed, yet not to despair; 9 pursued, yet not forsaken; struck down, yet not destroyed; 10 always carrying in the body the putting to death of the Lord Jeşuş, that the life of Jeşuş may also be revealed in our body. 11 For we who live are always delivered to death for Jeşuş' sake, that the life also of Jeşuş may be revealed in our mortal flesh. 12 So then death works in us, but life in you. 13 But having the same spirit of faith, according to that which is written, "I believed, and therefore I spoke." We also believe, and therefore also we speak; 14 knowing that he who raised the Lord Jeşuş will raise us also with Jeşuş, and will preşent us with you. 15 For all things are for your sakes, that the graçe, being multiplied through the many, may cauşe the thanksgiving to abound to the glory of Elohim. 16 Therefore we don't faint, but though our outward man is decaying, yet our inward man is renewed day by day. 17 For our light affliction, which is for the moment, works for us more and more exceedingly an eternal weight of glory;

18 while we don't look at the **th**ings which are seen, but at the **th**ings which are not seen. For the **th**ings which are seen are temporal, but the **th**ings which are not seen are etêrnal.

2 Corinthians 5

For we know that if the earthly house of our tent is dissolved, we have a building from Elohim, a house not made with hands, eternal, in the heavens. 2 For most certainly in this we grown, longing to be clothed with our habitation which is from heaven; 3 if so be that being clothed we will not be found naked. 4 For indeed we who are in this tent do grown, being burdened; not that we desire to be unclothed, but that we desire to be clothed, that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. 5 Now he who made us for this very thing is Elohim, who also gave to us the down payment of the Spirit.

6 Therefore we are always confident and know that while we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord; 7 for we walk by faith, not by sight. 8 We are courageous, I say, and are willing räther to be absent from the body, and to be at home with the Lord. 9 Therefore also we make it our aim, whether at home or absent, to be well pleasing to him. 10 For we must all be revealed before the judgment seat of Christ; that each one may receive the things in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad. 11 Knowing therefore the fear of the Lord, we persuade men, but we are revealed to Elohim; and I hope that we are revealed also in your consciences. 12 For we are not commending ourselves to you again, but speak as giving you occasion of boasting on our behälf, that you may have something to answer those who boast in appearance, and not in heart. 13 For if we are beside ourselves, it is for **Elohim**. Or if we are of sober mind, it is for you. 14 For the love of Christ constrains us; because we judge thus, that one died for all, therefore all died. 15 He died for all, that those who live should no longer live to themselves, but to him who for their sakes died and rose again. 16 Therefore we know no one after the flesh from new on. Even though we have known Christ äfter the flesh, yet new we know him so no môre. 17 Therefôre if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old things have passed away. Behold, all things have become new. 18 But all things are of **Elohim**, who reconciled us to himself through Jeşuş Christ, and gave to us the ministry of reconciliation; 19 namely, that **Elohim** was in Christ reconciling the wôrld to himself, not reckoning to them their trespässes, and having committed to us the wôrd of reconçiliation. 20 We are therefore ambassadors on behälf of Christ, as though Elohim were entreating by us: we beg you on behälf of Christ, be reconçiled to **Elohim**. 21 For him whe knew no sin he made to be sin on our behälf; so that in him we might become the righteousness of Elohim.

2 Corinthians 6

Wôrking together, we entreat also that you not receive the grace of Elohim in vain, 2 for he says, "At an acceptable time I listened to you, in a day of salvation I helped you."

Behold, now is the acceptable time. Behold, now is the day of salvation. 3 We give no occasion of stumbling in anything, that our service may not be blamed, 4 but in everything commending ourselves, as servants of Elohim, in great endurance, in afflictions, in härdships, in distresses, 5 in beatings, in imprisonments, in riots, in labors, in watchings, in fästings; 6 in pureness, in knowledge, in patience, in kindness, in the Holy Spirit, in sincere love, 7 in the word of truth, in the power of Elohim; by the ärmor of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, 8 by glory and dishonor, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and yet true; 9 as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and not killed; 10 as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.

11 Our mouth is open to you, Corinthians. our heart is enlarged. 12 You are not restricted by us, but you are restricted by your own affections. 13 Now in return, I speak as to my children, you also be open wide. 14 Don't be unequally yoked with unbelievers, for what fellowship have righteousness and iniquity? Or what fellowship has light with darkness? 15 What agreement has Christ with Belial? Or what portion has a believer with an unbeliever? 16 What agreement has a temple of Elohim with idols? For you are a temple of the living Elohim. Even as Elohim said, "I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their Elohim, and they will be my people." 17 Therefore "'Come out from among them, and be separate, says YAHWEH. 'Touch no unclean thing. I will receive you. 18 I will be to you a Fäther. You will be to me sons and daughters," says YAHWEH the Almighty."

2 Corinthians 7

Having therefore these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all defilement of flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of Elohim. 2 Open your hearts to us. We wronged no one. We corrupted no one. We took advantage of no one. 3 I say this not to condemn you, for I have said before, that you are in our hearts to die together and live together. 4 Great is my boldness of speech toward you. Great is my boasting on your behalf. I am filled with comfort. I overflowwith joy in all our affliction. 5 For even when we had come into Macedonia, our flesh had no relief, but we were afflicted on every side. Fightings were outside. Fear was inside. 6 Nevertheless, he who comforts the lowly, Elohim, comforted us by the coming of Titus; 7 and not by his coming only, but also by the comfort with which he was comforted in you, while he told us of your longing, your mourning, and your zeal for me; so that I rejoiced still more.

8 For **tho**ugh I made you sorry wi**th** my letter, I do not regret it, **tho**ugh I did regret it. For I see that my letter made you sorry, **tho**ugh just for a while. 9 I now rejoiçe, not that you were made sorry, but **th**at you were made sorry to repentance. For you were made sorry in a godly way, **th**at you might suffer loss by us in nothing. 10 For godly sorrow produces repentance to salvation, which brings no regret. But the sorrow of the world produces death.

11 For behold, this same thing, that you were made sorry in a godly way, what êarnest care it wôrked in you. Yes, what defense, indignation, fear, longing, zeal, and vengeance! In everything you demonstrated yourselves to be pure in the matter. 12 So although I wrote to you, I wrote not for his cause that did the wrong, nor for his cause that suffered the wrong, but that your êarnest care for us might be revealed in you in the sight of Elohim. 13 Therefore we have been comforted. In our comfort we rejoiced the more exceedingly for the joy of Titus, because his spirit has been refreshed by you all. 14 For if in anything I have boasted to him on your behalf, I was not disappointed. But as we spoke all things to you in truth, so our glorying also which I made before Titus was found to be truth. 15 His affection is more abundantly toward you, while he remembers all of your obedience, how with fear and trembling you received him. 16 I rejoice that in everything I am confident concerning you.

2 Corinthians 8

Moreover, brothers, we make known to you the grace of Elohim which has been given in the assemblies of Macedonia; 2 how that in much preef of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded to the riches of their liberality. 3 For according to their power, I testify, yes and beyond their power, they gave of their own accord, 4 begging us with much entreaty to receive this grace and the fellowship in the service to the saints. 5 This was not as we had hoped, but first they gave their own selves to the Lord, and to us through the will of Elohim. 6 So we ûrged Titus, that as he made a beginning before, so he would also complete in you this grace. 7 But as you abound in everything, in faith, utterance, knowledge, åll earnestness, and in your love to us, see that you also abound in this grace. 8 I speak not by way of commandment, but as preving through the êarnestness of others the sincerity also of your love. 9 For you know the grace of our Lord Jeşuş Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that you through his poverty might become rich. 10 I give a judgment in this: for this is expedient for you, who were the first to start a year ago, not only to do, but also to be willing. 11 But now complete the doing also, that as there was the readiness to be willing, so there may be the completion also out of your ability. 12 For if the readiness is **th**ere, it is acceptable according to what you have, not according to what you don't have. 13 For **th**is is not that others may be eased and you distressed, 14 but for equality. Your abundance at this present time supplies their lack, that their abundance also may become a supply for your lack; that there may be equality. 15 As it is written, "He who gathered much had nothing left over, and he whe gathered little had no lack."

16 But **th**anks be to **Elohim**, whe puts the same **e**arnest care for you into the heart of Titus. 17 For he indeed accepted our exhortation, but being himself very **e**arnest, he went out to you of his own accord. 18 We have sent together with him the brother where praise in the Good News is known **th**rough all the assemblies. 19 Not only so, but whe was also appointed by the assemblies to travel with us in **th**is grace, which is served by us to the glory of the Lord himself, and to show our readiness.

20 We are avoiding this, that any man should blame us conçêrning this abundance which is administered by us. 21 Having regard for honorable things, not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of men. 22 We have sent with them our brother, when we have many times preved earnest in many things, but now much more earnest, by reason of the great confidence which he has in you. 23 As for Titus, he is my partner and fellow worker for you. As for our brothers, they are the apostles of the assemblies, the glory of Christ. 24 Therefore show the preef of your love to them in front of the assemblies, and of our boasting on your behalf.

2 Corinthians 9

It is indeed unnecessary for me to write to you concerning the service to the saints, 2 for I know your readiness, of which I boast on your behalf to them of Maçedonia, that Achaia haş been prepared for a year päst. Your zeal haş stîrred up very many of them. 3 But I have sent the brothers that our boasting on your behalf may not be in vain in this respect, that, just as I said, you may be prepared, 4 so that I won't by any means, if anyone from Macedonia comes there with me and finds you unprepared, we (to say nothing of you) should be disappointed in this confident boasting. 5 I thought it necessary therefore to entreat the brothers that they would go before to you, and arrange ahead of time the generous gift that you promised before, the same might be ready as a matter of generosity, and **th**at greediness. 6 Remember this: he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly. He who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. 7 Let each man give according as he has detêrmined in his heärt; not grudgingly, or under compulsion; for Elohim loveş a cheerful giver. 8 And Elohim is able to make all grace abound to you, that you, ålwayş having åll suffiçiençy in everything, may abound to every good wôrk. 9 As it is written, "He has scattered abroad, he has given to the poor. His righteousness remains forever."

10 New may he whe supplies seed to the sower and bread for feed, supply and multiply your seed for sowing, and increase the fruits of your righteousness; 11 you being enriched in everything to all liberality, which produces through us thanksgiving to Elohim. 12 For this service of giving that you perform not only makes up for lack among the saints, but abounds also through many givings of thanks to Elohim; 13 seeing that through the preef given by this service, they glorify Elohim for the obedience of your confession to the Good News of Christ, and for the liberality of your contribution to them and to all; 14 while they themselves also, with supplication on your behalf, yearn for you by reason of the exceeding grace of Elohim in you. 15 New thanks be to Elohim for his unspeakable gift!

2 Corinthians 10

New I Paul, myself, entreat you by the humility and gentleness of Christ; I whe in your preşençe am lowly among you, but being absent am bold toward you. 2 Yes, I beg you that I may not, when preşent, show courage with the confidence with which I

intend to be bold against some, who Consider us to be wa/king according to the flesh. 3 For though we walk in the flesh, we don't wage war according to the flesh; 4 for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but mighty before Elohim to the throwing down of strongholds, 5 throwing down imaginations and every high **th**ing **th**at is exalted against the knowledge of **Elohim**, and bringing every **th**ought into captivity to the obedience of Christ; 6 and being in readiness to avenge åll disobedience, when your obedience will be made full. 7 Do you look at things only as they appear in front of your face? If anyone trusts in himself that he is Christ's, let him Consider this again with himself, that, even as he is Christ's, so ålso we are Christ's. 8 For though I should boast somewhat abundantly concerning our åu**th**ority, (which the Lord gave for building you up, and not for cästing you down) I will not be disappointed, 9 that I may not seem as if I desire to terrify you by my letters. 10 For, "His letters", they say, "are weighty and strong, but his bodily presence is weak, and his speech is despişed." 11 Let such a pêrson Consider this, that what we are in word by letters when we are absent, such are we also in deed when we are present. 12 For we are not bold to number or compare ourselves with some of those who commend themselves. But they themselves, measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves with themselves, are without understanding. 13 But we will not boast beyond proper limits, but within the boundaries with which Elohim appointed to us, which reach even to you. 14 For we don't stretch ourselves too much, as though we didn't reach to you. For we came even as f\(\bar{a}\)r as to you with the G\(\bar{o}\)od News of Christ, 15 not boasting beyond proper limits in other men's labors, but having hope that as your faith grows, we will be abundantly enlärged by you in our sphere of influence, 16 so as to preach the Good News even to the parts beyond you, not to boast in what someone else has already done. 17 But "he who boasts, let him boast in YAHWEH." 18 For it isn't he who commends himself who is approved, but whom YAHWEH commends.

2 Corinthians 11

I wish that you would bear with me in a little feelishness, but indeed you de bear with me. 2 For I am jealous over you with a godly jealousy. For I married you to one huşband, that I might preşent you as a pure vîrgin to Christ. 3 But I am afraid that somehow, as the serpent deceived Eve in his craftiness, so your minds might be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. 4 For if he whe comes preaches another Jesus, whom we did not preach, or if you receive a different spirit, which you did not receive, or a different "good news", which you did not accept, you put up with that well enough 5 For I reckon that I am not at all behind the very best apostleş. 6 But though I am unskilled in speech, yet I am not unskilled in knowledge. No, in every way we have been revealed to you in all **th**ings. 7 Or did I commit a sin in humbling myself that you might be exalted, because I preached to you Elohim's Good News free of charge? 8 I robbed other assemblies, taking wages from them that I might sêrve you. 9 When I was preşent with you and was in need, I wasn't a bûrden on anyone, for the brothers, when they came from Macedonia, supplied the measure of my need. In everything I kept myself from being bûrdensome to you, and I will continue to do so.

10 As the truth of Christ is in me, no one will stop me from this boasting in the regions of Achaia. 11 Why? Because I don't love you? Elohim knows. 12 But what I do, that I will do, that I may cut off occasion from them that desire an occasion, that in which they boast, they may be found even as we. 13 For such men are false apostles, deceitful workers, masquerading as Christ's apostles. 14 And no wonder, for even Satan mäsquerades as an angel of light. 15 It is no great thing therefore if his servants also mäsquerade as servants of righteousness, whose end will be according to their works.

16 I say again, let no one **th**ink me feelish. But if so, yet receive me as feelish, that I ålso may boast a little. 17 That which I speak, I don't speak according to the Lord, but as in feelishness, in this confidence of boasting. 18 Seeing that many boast äfter the flesh, I will also boast. 19 For you bear with the feelish gladly, being wise. 20 For you bear with a man, if he brings you into bondage, if he devours you, if he takes you captive, if he exalts himself, if he strikes you on the face. 21 I speak by way of disparagement, as though we had been weak. Yet in whatever way anyone is bold (I speak in feelishness), I am bold also. 22 Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Işraelites? So am I. Are **th**ey the offspring of **A**braham? So am I. 23 Are **th**ey sêrvants of Christ? (I speak as one beside himself) I am more so; in labors more abundantly, in prisons more abundantly, in stripes above measure, in deaths often. 24 Five times from the Jews I received forty stripes minus one. 25 three times I was beaten with rodş. Onçe I was stoned. three timeş I suffered shipwreck. I have been a night and a day in the deep. 26 I have been in travels often, perils of rivers, perils of robbers, perils from my countrymen, perils from the Gentiles, perils in the city, perils in the wilderness, perilş in the sea, perilş among fålse brothers; 27 in labor and travail, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, and in cold and nakedness.

28 Besides those things that are outside, there is that which presses on me daily, anxiety for all the assemblies. 29 Who is weak, and I am not weak? Who is caused to stumble, and I don't bûrn with indignation? 30 If I must boast, I will boast of the things that concern my weakness. 31 The Elohim and Fäther of the Lord Jesus Christ, he who is blessed forever more, knows that I don't lie. 32 In Damascus the governor under King Aretas guärded the city of the Damascenes desiring to arrest me. 33 through a window I was let down in a bäsket by the wall, and escaped his hands.

2 Corinthians 12

It is doubtless not profitable for me to boast. For I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord. 2 I know a man in Christ, fourteen years ago (whether in the body, I don't know, or whether out of the body, I don't know; Elohim knows), such a one caught up into the third heaven. 3 I know such a man (whether in the body, or outside of the body, I don't know; Elohim knows), 4 how he was caught up into Paradise, and heard unspeakable words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. 5 On behälf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behälf I will not boast, except in my weaknesses.

6 For if I woù/d deşire to boast, I will not be feelish; for I will speak the truth. But I refrain, so that no man may think more of me than that which he sees in me, or hears from me. 7 By reason of the exceeding greatness of the revelations, that I shoù/d not be exalted excessively, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, that I shoù/d not be exalted excessively. 8 Concerning this thing, I begged the Lord three times that it might depart from me. 9 He has said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Most gladly therefore I will räther glory in my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may rest on me.

10 **Therefore** I take pleasure in weaknesses, in injuries, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses, for Christ's sake. For when I am weak, then am I strong. 11 I have become feelish in boasting. You compelled me, for I ought to have been commended by you, for in nothing was I inferior to the very best apostles, though I am nothing. 12 Truly the signs of an apostle were worked among you in all patience, in signs and wonders and mighty works. 13 For what is there in which you were made inferior to the rest of the assemblies, unless it is that I myself was not a burden to you? Forgive me this wrong.

14 Behold, this is the third time I am ready to come to you, and I will not be a burden to you; for I seek not your possessions, but you. For the children ought not to save up for the parents, but the parents for the children. 15 I will most gladly spend and be spent for your souls. If I love you more abundantly, am I loved the less? 16 But be it so, I did not myself bûrden you. But, being cräfty, I cåught you with deception. 17 Did I take advantage of you by anyone of them whom I have sent to you? 18 I exhorted Titus, and I sent the brother with him. Did Titus take any advantage of you? Didn't we walk in the same spirit? Didn't we walk in the same steps? 19 Again, de you think that we are excusing ourselves to you? In the sight of **Elohim** we speak in Christ. But all **th**ings, beloved, are for your edifying. 20 For I am afraid **th**at by any means, when I come, I might find you not the way I want to, and that I might be found by you as you don't desire; that by any means there would be strife, jealousy, outbûrsts of anger, factions, slander, whisperings, proud thoughts, riots; 21 that again when I come my Elohim would humble me before you, and I would mourn for many of those who have sinned before now, and not repented of the uncleanness and sexual immorality and lustfulness which they committed.

2 Corinthians 13

This is the third time I am coming to you. "At the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established." 2 I have said beforehand, and I do say beforehand, as when I was present the second time, so now, being absent, I write to those who have sinned before now, and to all the rest, that, if I come again, I will not spare; 3 seeing that you seek a proof of Christ who speaks in me; who toward you is not weak, but is powerful in you. 4 For he was crucified through weakness, yet he lives through the power of Elohim. For we also are weak in him, but we will live

with him through the power of **Elohim** toward you. 5 Examine your own selves, whether you are in the faith. Test your own selves. Or don't you know as to your own selves, that Jesus Christ is in you?—unless indeed you are disqualified. 6 But I hope that you will know that we ären't disqualified.

7 New I pray to **Elohim th**at you de no evil; not that we may appear appreved, but that you may de that which is honorable, though we are as reprobate. 8 For we can de nothing against the truth, but for the truth. 9 For we rejoice when we are weak and you are strong. And this we also pray for, even your perfecting. 10 For this cause I write these things while absent, that I may not deal sharply when present, according to the authority which the Lord gave me for building up, and not for tearing dewn.

11 Finally, brothers, rejoice. Be perfected, be comforted, be of the same mind, live in peace, and the **Elohim** of love and peace will be with you. 12 Greet one another with a holy kiss. 13 All the saints greet you. 14 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of **Elohim**, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. Amen.

GALATIONS

Galatians 1

Paul, an apostle (not from men, nor through man, but through Jeşuş Christ, and Elohim the Fäther, who raised him from the dead), 2 and all the brothers who are with me, to the assemblies of Galatia: 3 Graçe to you and peace from Elohim the Fäther, and our Lord Jeşuş Christ, 4 who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us out of this present evil age, according to the will of our Elohim and Father—5 to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

6 I märvel that you are so quickly deşêrting him who called you in the grace of Christ to a different "good news"; 7 and there isn't another "good news." Only there are some who trouble you, and want to pervert the Good News of Christ. 8 But even though we, or an angel from heaven, should preach to you any "good news" other than that which we preached to you, let him be cûrsed. 9 As we have said before, so I now say again: if any man preaches to you any "good news" other than that which you received, let him be cursed. 10 For am I now seeking the favor of men, or of **Elohim**? Or am I striving to please men? For if I were still pleasing men, I wouldn't be a sêrvant of Christ. 11 But I make known to you, brothers, conçêrning the Good News which was preached by me, that it is not according to man. 12 For neither did I reçeive it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came to me through revelation of Jeşuş Christ. 13 For you have hêard of my way of living in time past in the Jews' religion, how that beyond measure I persecuted the assembly of Elohim, and ravaged it. 14 I advanced in the Jews' religion beyond many of my own age among my countrymen, being more exceedingly zealous for the traditions of my fäthers. 15 But when it was the good pleasure of God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called me through his grace, 16 to reveal his Son in me, that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I didn't immediately confer with flesh and blood, 17 nor did I go up to Jeruşalem to those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia. Then I returned to Damascus. 18 Then äfter three years I went up to Jeruşalem to vişit Peter, and stayed with him fifteen days. 19 But of the other apostles I såw no one, except James, the Lord's brother. 20 Now about the things which I write to you, behold, before Elohim, I'm not lying. 21 Then I came to the regions of Syria and Cilicia. 22 I was still unknown by face to the assemblies of Judea which were in Christ, 23 but they only heard: "He who once persecuted us now preaches the faith that he once tried to destroy." 24 And they glorified Elohim in me.

Galatians 2

1 Then äfter a period of fourteen years I went up again to Jeruşalem with Barnabas, taking Titus ålso with me. 2 I went up by revelation, and I laid before them the Good News which I preach among the Gentiles, but privately before those who were respected, for fear that I might be running, or had run, in vain. 3 But not even Titus, who was with me, being a Greek, was compelled to be circumcised. 4 This was because of the false brothers secretly brought in, who stole in to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jeşuş, that they might bring us into bondage; 5 to whom we gave no place in the way of subjection, not for an hour, that the truth of the Good News might continue with you. 6 But from those who were reputed to be important (whatever they were, it makes no difference to me; Elohim doesn't show pärtiality to man)--they, I say, who were respected impärted nothing to me, 7 but to the contrary, when they saw that I had been entrusted with the Good News for the uncircumcision, even as Peter with the Good News for the circumcision 8 (for he who appointed Peter to the apostleship of the circumcision appointed me also to the Gentiles); 9 and when they perceived the grace that was given to me, James and Cephas and John, **th**ey whe were reputed to be pillars, gave to me and Barnabas the right hand of fellowship, that we should go to the Gentiles, and they to the cîrcumçişion. 10 They only asked us to remember the poor--which very thing I was ålso zealous to do.

11 But when Peter came to Antioch, I resisted him to his face, because he stood condemned. 12 For before some people came from James, he are with the Gentiles. But when they came, he drew back and separated himself, fearing those who were of the circumcision. 13 And the rest of the Jews joined him in his hypocrisy; so that even Barnabas was carried away with their hypocrisy. 14 But when I saw that they didn't walk uprightly according to the truth of the Good News, I said to Peter before them all, "If you, being a Jew, live as the Gentiles do, and not as the Jews do, why do you compel the Gentiles to live as the Jews do?

15 "We, being Jewş by nature, and not Gentile sinnerş, 16 yet knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the Torah but through faith in Jeşuş Christ, even we believed in Christ Jeşuş, that we might be justified by faith in Christ, and not by the works of the Torah, becauşe no flesh will be justified by the works of the Torah

. 17 But if, while we sought to be justified in Christ, we surselves also were found sinners, is Christ a servant of sin? certainly not! 18 For if I build up again those things which I destroyed, I prove myself a law-breaker. 19 For I, through the Torah, died to the Torah, that I might live to Elohim. 20 I have been crucified with Christ, and it is no longer I that live, but Christ living in me. That life which I now live in the flesh, I live by faith in the Son of Elohim, who loved me, and gave himself up for me. 21 I don't make void the grace of Elohim. For if righteousness is through the Torah, then Christ died for nothing!"

Galations 3

1 Feelish Galatians, who has bewitched you not to obey the truth, before whose eyeş Jeşuş Christ was openly set forth among you as cruçified? 2 I just want to lêarn this from you. Did you receive the Spirit by the wôrks of the Tôrah, or by hearing of faith? 3 Are you so feelish? Having begun in the Spirit, are you new completed in the flesh? 4 Did you suffer so many things in vain, if it is indeed in vain? 5 He therefore who supplies the Spirit to you, and works miracles among you, does he do it by the works of the Torah, or by hearing of faith? 6 Even as Abraham "believed Elohim, and it was counted to him for righteousness." 7 Know therefore that those who are of faith, the same are children of Abraham. 8 The Scripture, foreseeing that Elohim would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the Good Newş beforehand to Abraham, saying, "In you all the nations will be blessed." 9 So then, those who are of faith are blessed with the faithful Abraham. 10 For as many as are of the works of the Torah are under a curse. For it is written, "Cursed is everyone whe doesn't continue in all things that are written in the book of the Tổrah, to de them." 11 New that no man is justified by the Tổrah befổre Elohim is evident, for, "The righteous will live by faith." 12 The Torah is not of faith, but, "The man whe does them will live by them."*

13 Christ redeemed us from the cûrse of the Tổrah, having becôme a cûrse for us. Fổr it is written, "Cûrsed is everyone who hangs on a tree," 14 that the blessing of Abraham might côme on the Gentiles through Christ Jesus; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. 15 Brôthers, speaking of human têrms, though it is only a man's côvenant, yet when it has been cônfîrmed, no one makes it void, or adds to it. 16 New the promises were spoken to Abraham and to his seed. He dôesn't say, "To seeds," as of many, but as of one, "To your seed," which is Christ. 17 New I say this. A côvenant cônfîrmed befôrehand by Elohim in Christ, the Tổrah, which came fổur hundred thirty years äfter, dôes not annul, so as to make the promise of no effect. 18 For if the inheritance is of the Tổrah, it is no mỗre of promise; but Elohim has granted it to Abraham by promise.

19 What then is the Torah? It was added becauşe of tranşgressions, until the seed shoù/d come to whom the promise has been made. It was ordained through angels by the hand of a mediator. 20 Now a mediator is not between one, but Elohim is one. 21 Is the Torah then against the promises of Elohim? certainly not! For if there

had been a Torah given which could make alive, most certainly righteousness would have been of the law. 22 But the Scriptures imprisoned all things under sin, that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those whe believe. 23 But before faith came, we were kept in custody under the Torah, confined for the faith which should afterwards be revealed. 24 So that the Torah has become our tutor to bring us to Christ, that we might be justified by faith. 25 But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor. 26 For you are all children of Elohim, through faith in Christ Jesus. 27 For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. 28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. 29 If you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed and heirs according to promise.

Galations 4

1 But I say that so long as the heir is a child, he is no different from a bondservant, though he is lord of all; 2 but is under guardians and stewards until the day appointed by the fäther. 3 So we also, when we were children, were held in bondage under the elemental principles of the world. 4 But when the fullness of the time came, **Elohim** sent out his Son, born to a woman, born under the law, 5 that he might redeem those who were under the Torah, that we might receive the adoption of children. 6 And because you are children, **Elohim** sent out the Spirit of his Son into your heärts, crying, "Abba, Father!" 7 So you are no longer a bondservant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of Elohim through Christ. 8 However at that time, not knowing **Elohim**, you were in bondage to **those** who by nature are not gods. 9 But now that you have come to know Elohim, or rather to be known by Elohim, why de you tûrn back again to the weak and miserable elemental principles, to which you desire to be in bondage all over again? 10 You obsêrve days, months, seasons, and years. 11 I am afraid for you, that I might have wasted my labor for you. 12 I beg you, brothers, become as I am, for I also have become as you are. You did me no wrong, 13 but you know that because of weakness of the flesh I preached the Good News to you the first time. 14 That which was a temptation to you in my flesh, you didn't despise nor reject; but you received me as an angel of Elohim, even as Christ Jeşuş.

15 What was the blessing you enjoyed? For I testify to you that, if possible, you would have plucked out your eyes and given them to me. 16 So then, have I become your enemy by telling you the truth? 17 They zealously seek you in no good way. No, they desire to alienate you, that you may seek them. 18 But it is always good to be zealous in a good cause, and not only when I am present with you.

19 My little **ch**ildren, of whem I am again in travail until Christ is formed in you-- 20 but I coù/d wish to be preşent with you now, and to **change** my tone, for I am perplexed about you. 21 Tell me, you **th**at deşire to be under the Torah, don't you listen to the Torah? 22 For it is written **th**at Abraham had two sons, one by the handmaid, and one

by the free woman. 23 However, the son by the handmaid was born according to the flesh, but the son by the free woman was born through promise. 24 These things contain an allegory, for these are two covenants. One is from Mount Sinai, bearing children to bondage, which is Hagar. 25 For this Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and answers to the Jerusalem that exists now, for she is in bondage with her children. 26 But the Jerusalem that is above is free, which is the mother of us all. 27 For it is written,

"Rejoiçe, you barren who don't bear.

Break forth and shout, you that don't travail.

For more are the children of the desolate than of her who has a husband."*

28 New we, brothers, as Isaac was, are **ch**ildren of promise. 29 But as **th**en, he whe was born according to the flesh persecuted him whe was born according to the Spirit, so also it is new. 30 However what does the Scripture say? "throw out the handmaid and her son, for the son of the handmaid will not inherit with the son of the free woman." 31 So **th**en, brothers, we are not **ch**ildren of a handmaid, but of the free woman.

Galations 5

1 Stand firm therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and don't be entangled again with a yoke of bondage. 2 Behold, I, Paul, tell you that if you receive circumcision, Christ will profit you nothing. 3 Yes, I testify again to every man who receives circumcision, that he is a debtor to do the whole Torah. 4 You are alienated from Christ, you who desire to be justified by the Torah. You have fallen away from grace. 5 For we, through the Spirit, by faith wait for the hope of righteousness. 6 For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision amounts to anything, nor uncircumcision, but faith working through love. 7 You were running well! Who interfered with you that you should not obey the truth? 8 This persuasion is not from him who calls you. 9 A little yeast grows through the whole lump. 10 I have confidence toward you in the Lord that you will think no other way. But he who troubles you will bear his judgment, who ever he is.

11 But I, brothers, if I still preach circumçision, why am I still persecuted? Then the stumbling block of the cross has been removed. 12 I wish that those who disturb you would cut themselves off. 13 For you, brothers, were called for freedom. Only don't use your freedom for gain to the flesh, but through love be servants to one another. 14 For the whole Torah is fulfilled in one word, in this: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." 15 But if you bite and devour one another, be careful that you don't consume one another. 16 But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you won't fulfill the lust of the flesh. 17 For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, that you may not do the things that you desire. 18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Torah. 19 Now the works of the flesh are obvious, which are: adultery, sexual immorality,

uncleanness, lustfulness, 20 idolatry, sốrçery, hatred, strife, jealousies, outbûrsts of anger, rivalries, divişións, heresies, 21 envyings, mûrders, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these; of which I forewarn you, even as I also forewarned you, that those who practice such things will not inherit the Kingdóm of Elohim.

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peaçe, patiençe, kindness, goodness, faith, 23 gentleness, and self-control. Against such things there is no law. 24 Those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and lusts. 25 If we live by the Spirit, let's also walk by the Spirit. 26 Let's not become conceited, provoking one another, and envying one another.

Galations 6

1 Brothers, even if a man is caught in some fault, you who are spiritual must restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness; looking to yourself so that you also aren't tempted. 2 Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the Torah of Christ. 3 For if a man thinks himself to be something when he is nothing, he deceives himself. 4 But let each man test his own work, and then he will take pride in himself and not in his neighbor. 5 For each man will bear his own burden. 6 But let him who is taught in the word share all good things with him who teaches. 7 Don't be deceived. Elohim is not mocked, for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. 8 For he who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption. But he who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. 9 Let us not be weary in doing good, for we will reap in due season, if we don't give up. 10 So then, as we have opportunity, let's downat is good toward all men, and especially toward those who are of the household of the faith.

11 See with what lärge letters I write to you with my own hand. 12 As many as desire to look good in the flesh, they compel you to be cîrcumçişed; only that they may not be pêrsecuted for the cross of Christ. 13 For even they who receive cîrcumçişion don't keep the Torah themselves, but they desire to have you cîrcumçişed, that they may boast in your flesh. 14 But fär be it from me to boast, except in the cross of our Lord Jeşuş Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. 15 For in Christ Jeşuş neither is cîrcumçişion anything, nor uncîrcumçişion, but a new creation. 16 As many as walk by this rule, peace and mêrçy be on them, and on Elohim'ş Işrael. 17 From now on, let no one câuşe me any trouble, for I bear the märks of the Lord Jeşuş branded on my body. 18 The grace of our Lord Jeşuş Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

EPHESIANS

Ephesians 1

Påul, an apostle of Christ Jeşuş through the will of **Elohim**, to the saints who are at Ephesus, and the faithfül in Christ Jeşuş: 2 Graçe to you and peaçe from **Elohim** our Fäther and the Lord Jeşuş Christ.

3 Blessed be the **Elohim** and Fäther of our Lord Jeşuş Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ; 4 even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and without defect before him in love; 5 having predestined us for adoption as children through Jeşuş Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his desire, 6 to the praise of the glory of his grace, by which he freely gave us favor in the Beloved, 7 in whom we have our redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespässes, according to the riches of his grace, 8 which he made to abound toward us in all wişdom and prudençe, 9 making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he pûrposed in him 10 to an administration of the fullness of the times, to sum up all things in Christ, the things in the heavens, and the things on the êarth, in him; 11 in whom also we were assigned an inheritance, having been foreordained according to the purpose of him who does all things after the counsel of his will; 12 to the end that we should be to the praise of his glory, we who had before hoped in Christ: 13 in whom you also, having heard the word of the truth, the Good News of your salvation—in whom, having also believed, you were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, 14 who is a pledge of our inheritance, to the redemption of Elohim's own possession, to the praise of his glory. 15 For this cause I also, having heard of the faith in the Lord Jesus which is among you, and the love which you have toward all the saints, 16 don't cease to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers, 17 that the Elohim of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Fäther of glory, may give to you a spirit of wişdom and revelation in the knowledge of him; 18 having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope of his calling, and what are the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints, 19 and what is the exceeding greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to that working of the strength of his might 20 which he worked in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and made him to sit at his right hand in the heavenly places, 21 far above all rule, and authority, and power, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age, but also in that which is to come. 22 He put all things in subjection under his feet, and gave him to be head over all **th**ings for the assembly, 23 which is his body, the fullness of him who fills åll in åll.

Ephesians 2

You were made alive when you were dead in transgressions and sins, 2 in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the children of disobedience; 3 among whom we also all once lived in the lust of our flesh, doing the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, even as the rest. 4 But Elohim, being rich in mercy, for his great love with which he loved us, 5 even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), 6 and raised us up with him, and made us to sit with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, 7 that in the ages to come he might show the exceeding riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus;

8 for by graçe you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of Elohim, 9 not of works, that no one would boast. 10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which Elohim prepared before that we would walk in them.

11 Therefore remember that once you, the Gentiles in the flesh, who are called "unçîrcumçişion" by that which is called "cîrcumçişion", (in the flesh, made by hands); 12 that you were at that time separate from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Işrael, and strangers from the covenants of the promise, having no hope and without Elohim in the world. 13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were fär off are made near in the blood of Christ. 14 For he is our peace, who made both one, and broke down the middle wall of partition, 15 having abolished in the flesh the hostility, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man of the two, making peace; 16 and might reconcile them both in one body to **Elohim** through the cross, having killed the hostility thereby. 17 He came and preached peace to you who were far off and to those who were near. 18 For through him we both have our access in one Spirit to the Fäther. 19 So then you are no longer strangers and foreigners,, but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of Elohim, 20 being built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the chief cornerstone; 21 in whom the whole building, fitted together, grows into a holy temple of YAHWEH; 22 in whom you also are built together for a habitation of Elohim in the Spirit.

Ephesians 3

For this cause I, Paul, am the prisoner of Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles, 2 if it is so that you have heard of the administration of that grace of Elohim which was given me towård you; 3 how that by revelation the mystery was made known to me, as I wrote before in few words, 4 by which, when you read, you can perceive my understanding in the mystery of Christ; 5 which in other generations was not made known to the children of men, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets in the Spirit; 6 that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, and fellow members of the body, and fellow partakers of his promise in Christ Jesus through the Good News, 7 of which I was made a servant, according to the gift of that grace of Elohim which was given me according to the working of his power. 8 To me, the very least of all saints, was this grace given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, 9 and to make all men see what is the administration of the mystery which for ages has been hidden in Elohim, who created all things through Jeşuş Christ; 10 to the intent that new through the assembly the manifold wişdom of **Elohim** might be made known to the principalities and the powers in the heavenly places, 11 according to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jeşuş our Lord; 12 in whom we have boldness and access in confidence through our faith in him.

13 **Th**eref**ô**re I **ä**sk **th**at you may not l**o**şe he**ä**rt at m**y** trouble**ş** for you, which are y**ô**ur gl**ô**ry.

14 For this cause, I bow my knees to the Fäther of our Lord Jesus Christ, 15 from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, 16 that he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, that you may be strengthened with power through his Spirit in the inward man; 17 that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; to the end that you, being rected and grounded in love, 18 may be strengthened to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and height and depth, 19 and to know Christ's love which surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of Elohim. 20 Now to him who is able to de exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, 21 to him (YAHWEH) be the glory in the assembly and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.

Ephesians 4

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to walk worthily of the calling with which you were called, 2 with all lowliness and humility, with patience, bearing with one another in love; 3 being eager to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. 4 There is one body, and one Spirit, even as you also were called in one hope of your calling; 5 one YAHWEH, one faith, one baptism, 6 one Elohim and Father of all, who is over all, and through all, and in us all. 7 But to each one of us was the grace given according to the measure of the gift of Christ. 8 Therefore he says, "When he ascended on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts to men." 9 New this, "He ascended", what is it but that he also first descended into the lower parts of the earth? 10 He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.

11 He gave some to be apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, shepherds and teachers; 12 for the perfecting of the saints, to the work of serving, to the building up of the body of Christ; 13 until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of Elohim, to a full grown man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; 14 that we may no longer be children, tossed back and forth and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in craftiness, after the wiles of error; 15 but speaking truth in love, we may grow up in all things into him, who is the head, Christ; 16 from whom all the body, being fitted and knit together through that which every joint supplies, according to the working in measure of each individual part, makes the body increase to the building up of itself in love.

17 This I say therefore, and testify by YAHWEH, that you no longer walk as the rest of the Gentiles also walk, in the futility of their mind, 18 being darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of Elohim, because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the hardening of their hearts; 19 who having become callous gave themselves up to lust, to work all uncleanness with greediness. 20 But you did not

learn Christ that way; 21 if indeed you heard him, and were taught in him, even as truth is in Jeşuş: 22 that you put away, as conçerning your former way of life, the old man, that grows corrupt after the lusts of deçeit; 23 and that you be renewed in the spirit of your mind, 24 and put on the new man, who in the likeness of Elohim has been created in righteousness and holiness of truth.

25 Therefore putting away falsehood, speak truth each one with his neighbor. For we are members of one another. 26 "Be angry, and don't sin." Don't let the sun go down on your wrath, 27 and don't give place to the devil. 28 Let him who stole steal no more; but rather let him labor, producing with his hands something that is good, that he may have something to give to him who has need. 29 Let no corrupt speech proceed out of your mouth, but only what is good for building others up as the need may be, that it may give grace to those who hear. 30 Don't grieve the Holy Spirit of Elohim, in whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. 31 Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, outcry, and slander, be put away from you, with all malice. 32 And be kind to one another, tender hearted, forgiving each other, just as Elohim also in Christ forgave you.

Ephesians 5

Be therefore imitators of **Elohim**, as beloved **ch**ildren. 2 Wå/k in love, **e**ven as Christ ålso loved you, and gave himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to **Elohim** for a sweet-smelling fragrance. 3 But sexual immorality, and åll uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not even be mentioned among you, as becomes saints; 4 nor filthiness, nor feelish tå/king, nor jesting, which are not appropriate; but räther giving of thanks.

5 Know this for sure, that no sexually immoral person, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, has any inheritance in the Kingdom of Christ and Elohim.

6 Let no one deçeive you with empty wôrds. For because of these things, the wräth of Elohim comes on the children of disobedience. 7 Therefore don't be partakers with them. 8 For you were once darkness, but are now light in the Lord. Walk as children of light, 9 for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth, 10 proving what is well pleasing to the Lord. 11 Have no fellowship with the unfruitful deeds of darkness, but rather even reprove them. 12 For the things which are done by them in secret, it is a shame even to speak of. 13 But all things, when they are reproved, are revealed by the light, for everything that reveals is light. 14 Therefore he says, "Awake, you who sleep, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

15 **Therefore** watch carefully how you walk, not as unwise, but as wise; 16 redeeming the time, because the days are evil. 17 **Therefore** don't be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. 18 Don't be drunken with wine, in which is dissipation, but be filled with the Spirit, 19 speaking to one another in psä/ms, hymns, and

spiritual songs to **YAHWEH** and making melody in your heart to the Lord; 20 giving thanks always concerning all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to **Elohim**, even the Fäther; 21 subjecting yourselves to one another in the fear of Christ.

22 Wives, be subject to your own husbands, as to the Lord. 23 For the husband is the head of the wife, and Christ also is the head of the assembly, being himself the savior of the body. 24 But as the assembly is subject to Christ, so let the wives also be to their own husbands in everything.

25 Huşbandş, love your wiveş, even as Christ also loved the assembly, and gave himself up for it; 26 that he might sanctify it, having cleanşed it by the washing of water with the word, 27 that he might preşent the assembly to himself gloriously, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without defect. 28 Even so huşbandş also ought to love their own wiveş as their own bodieş. He who loveş his own wife loveş himself. 29 For no man ever hated his own flesh; but nourisheş and cherisheş it, even as the Lord also

does the assembly; 30 because we are members of his body, of his flesh and bones. 31 "For this cause a man will leave his father and mother, and will be joined to his wife. The two will become one flesh." 32 This mystery is great, but I speak concerning Christ and of the assembly. 33 Nevertheless each of you must also love his own wife even as himself; and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

Ephesians 6

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. 2 "Honor your father and mother," which is the first commandment with a promise: 3 "that it may be well with you, and you may live long on the earth."

- 4 You fäthers, don't provoke your children to wräth, but nurture them in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.
- 5 Sêrvants, be obedient to **those** who according to the flesh are your mästers, with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heärt, as to Christ; 6 not in the way of sêrvice only when eyes are on you, as men pleasers; but as sêrvants of Christ, doing the will of **Elohim** from the heärt; 7 with good will doing sêrvice, as to the Lord, and not to men; 8 knowing that whatever good thing each one does, he will receive the same again from the Lord, whether he is bound or free.
- 9 You mästers, de the same things to them, and give up threatening, knowing that he whe is both their Mäster and yours is in heaven, and there is no pärtiality with him.
- 10 Finally, be strong in the Lord, and in the strength of his might. 11 Put on the whole armor of **Elohim**, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. 12 For our wrestling is not against flesh and blood, but against the principalities,

against the powers, against the world's rulers of the därkness of this age, and against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places. 13 Therefore put on the whole ärmor of Elohim, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and, having done all, to stand. 14 Stand therefore, having the utility belt of truth buckled around your waist, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, 15 and having fitted your feet with the preparation of the Good News of peace; 16 above all, taking up the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the evil one. 17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of Elohim; 18 with all prayer and requests, praying at all times in the Spirit, and being watchful to this end in all perseverance and requests for all the saints: 19 on my behalf, that utterance may be given to me in opening my mouth, to make known with boldness the mystery of the Good News, 20 for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

21 But **th**at you **å**ls**o** may *k*now m**y** affair**ş**, how I am doing, Tychicus, the beloved brother and fai**th**ful sêrvant in the Lord, will make *k*nown to you **å**ll **th**ing**ş**; 22 *w*hom I have sent to you for **th**is very pûrpose, **th**at you may *k*now our state, and **th**at he may comfort your heärts.

23 Peaçe be to the brothers, and love with faith, from **Elohim** the Fäther and the Lord Jesus Christ. 24 Grace be with all those who love our Lord Jesus Christ with incorruptible love. Amen.

PHILIPPIANS

Philippians 1

Påul and Timothy, sêrvants of Jeşuş Christ;

To all the saints in Christ Jeşuş whe are at Philippi, with the overseers and sêrvants: 2 Graçe to you, and peace from Elohim, our Fäther, and the Lord Jeşuş Christ. 3 I thank my Elohim whenever I remember you, 4 always in every request of mine on behalf of you all making my requests with joy, 5 for your partnership in fürtherance of the Good News from the first day until now; 6 being confident of this very thing, that he who began a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jeşuş Christ. 7 It is even right for me to think this way on behalf of all of you, becauşe I have you in my heart, becauşe, both in my bonds and in the defense and confirmation of the Good News, you all are partakers with me of grace. 8 For Elohim is my witness, how I long after all of you in the tender mêrçieş of Christ Jeşuş.

9 This I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and all discernment; 10 so that you may approve the things that are excellent; that you may be sincere and without offense to the day of Christ; 11 being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of Elohim.

12 Now I deşire to have you know, brothers, that the things which happened to me have turned out rather to the progress of the Good News; 13 so that it became evident to the whole palace guard, and to all the rest, that my bonds are in Christ; 14 and that most of the brothers in the Lord, being confident through my bonds, are more abundantly bold to speak the word of Elohim without fear. 15 Some indeed preach Christ even out of envy and strife, and some also out of good will. 16 The former insincerely preach Christ from selfish ambition, thinking that they add affliction to my chains; 17 but the latter out of love, knowing that I am appointed for the defense of the Good News.

18 What does it matter? Only that in every way, whether in pretense or in truth, Christ is proclaimed. I rejoice in this, yes, and will rejoice. 19 For I know that this will turn out to my salvation, through your supplication and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, 20 according to my earnest expectation and hope, that I will in no way be disappointed, but with all boldness, as always, now also Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life, or by death. 21 For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. 22 But if I live on in the flesh, this will bring fruit from my work; yet I don't know what I will choose. 23 But I am in a dilemma between the two, having the desire to depart and be with Christ, which is far better. 24 Yet, to remain in the flesh is more needful for your sake. 25 Having this confidence, I know that I will remain, yes, and remain with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, 26 that your rejoicing may abound in Christ Jesus in me through my presence with you again.

27 Only let your way of life be worthy of the Good News of Christ, that, whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of your state, that you stand firm in one spirit, with one soul striving for the faith of the Good News; 28 and in nothing frightened by the adversaries, which is for them a proof of destruction, but to you of salvation, and that from Elohim God. 29 Because it has been granted to you on behälf of Christ, not only to believe in him, but also to suffer on his behälf, 30 having the same conflict which you saw in me, and now hear is in me.

Philippians 2

If there is therefore any exhortation in Christ, if any consolation of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any tender mêrçies and compassion, 2 make my joy full, by being like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind; 3 doing nothing through rivalry or through conceit, but in humility, each counting others better than himself; 4 each of you not just looking to his own things, but each of you also to the things of others.

5 Have this in your mind, which was also in Christ Jeşuş, 6 who, existing in the form of **Elohim**, didn't Consider **equality** with **Elohim** a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being made in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in human form, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to death, yes, the death of the cross. 9 Therefore **Elohim** also highly exalted him, and gave to him the name which is above every name; 10 that at the name of Jeşuş every

knee shoù/d bow, of those in heaven, those on êarth, and those under the êarth, 11 and that every tongue shoù/d confess that the Lord YAHWEH is the Lord Jesus Christ to the glory of Elohim his Fäther.

12 So then, my beloved, even as you have always obeyed, not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. 13 For it is **Elohim** who works in you both to will and to work, for his good pleasure. 14 Do all things without murmurings and disputes, 15 that you may become blameless and harmless, children of **Elohim** without defect in the middle of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you are seen as lights in the world, 16 holding up the word of life; that I may have something to boast in the day of Christ, that I didn't run in vain nor labor in vain. 17 Yes, and if I am poured out on the sacrifice and service of your faith, I rejoice, and rejoice with you all. 18 In the same way, you also rejoice, and rejoice with me.

19 But I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you seen, that I also may be cheered up when I know how you are doing. 20 For I have no one else likeminded, who will truly care about you. 21 For they all seek their own, not the things of Jesus Christ. 22 But you know the proof of him, that, as a child serves a fäther, so he sêrved with me in fûrtherance of the Good News. 23 Therefore I hope to send him at once, as seen as I see how it will go with me. 24 But I trust in the Lord that I myself also will come shortly. 25 But I counted it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother, fellow worker, fellow soldier, and your apostle and sêrvant of my need; 26 since he longed for you all, and was very troubled, because you had heard that he was sick. 27 For indeed he was sick, nearly to death, but Elohim had mêrçy on him; and not on him only, but on me also, that I might not have sorrow on sorrow. 28 I have sent him therefore the more diligently, that, when you see him again, you may rejoice, and that I may be the less sorrowful. 29 Receive him therefore in the Lord YAHWEH with all joy, and hold such in honor, 30 because for the work of Christ he came near to death, risking his life to supply that which was lacking in your service toward me.

Philippians 3

Finally, my brothers, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you, to me indeed is not tiresome, but for you it is safe. 2 Beware of the dogs, beware of the evil workers, beware of the false circumcision. 3 For we are the circumcision, who worship Elohim in the Spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh; 4 though I myself might have confidence even in the flesh. If any other man thinks that he has confidence in the flesh, I yet more: 5 circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; concerning the Torah, a Pharisee; 6 concerning zeal, persecuting the assembly; concerning the righteousness which is in the Torah, found blameless.

7 However, I Consider **those th**ings **that** were gain to me as a loss for Christ. 8 Yes most **ce**rtainly, and I count all **th**ings to be a loss for the excellency of the

knowledge of Christ Jeşuş, my Lord, for whom I suffered the loss of all things, and count them nothing but refuse, that I may gain Christ. 9 and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own, that which is of the Torah, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is from Elohim by faith; 10 that I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, becoming conformed to his death; 11 if by any means I may attain to the resurrection from the dead. 12 Not that I have already obtained, or am already made perfect; but I press on, if it is so that I may take hold of that for which also I was taken hold of by Christ Jeşuş.

13 Brothers, I don't regard myself as yet having taken hold, but one thing I do. Forgetting the things which are behind, and stretching forward to the things which are before, 14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the high calling of Elohim in Christ Jeşuş. 15 Let us therefore, as many as are perfect, think this way. <u>th</u>ink otherwise, Elohim any**th**ing will ålso reveal that to vou you. 16 Nevertheless, to the extent that we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule. Let us be of the same mind. 17 Brothers, be imitators together of me, and note those who walk this way, even as you have us for an example. 18 For many walk, of whom I told you often, and now tell you even weeping, as the enemies of the cross of Christ, 19 whose end is destruction, whose god is the belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who think about earthly things. 20 For our citizenship is in heaven, from where we also wait for a Savior, the Lord Jeşuş Christ; 21 who will change the body of our humiliation to be conformed to the body of his glory, according to the working by which he is able even to subject all things to himself.

Philippians 4

Therefore, my brothers, beloved and longed for, my joy and crown, so stand firm in the Lord, my beloved. 2 I exhort Euodia, and I exhort Syntyche, to think the same way in the Lord. 3 Yes, I beg you also, true partner, help these women, for they labored with me in the Good News, with Clement also, and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life. 4 Rejoice in the Lord always! Again I will say, "Rejoice!" 5 Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand. 6 In nothing be anxious, but in everything, by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to Elohim. 7 And the peace of Elohim, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your thoughts in Christ Jesus.

8 Finally, brothers, whatever things are true, whatever things are honorable, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report; if there is any virtue, and if there is any praise, think about these things. 9 The things which you learned, received, heard, and saw in me: de these things, and the Elohim of peace will be with you. 10 But I rejoice in the Lord greatly, that new at length you have revived your thought for me; in which you did indeed take thought, but you lacked opportunity. 11 Not that I speak in

respect to lack, for I have lêarned in whatever state I am, to be content in it. 12 I know how to be humbled, and I know also how to abound. In everything and in all things I have lêarned the secret both to be filled and to be hungry, both to abound and to be in need. 13 I can do all things through Christ, who strengthens me. 14 However you did well that you shared in my affliction. 15 You yourselves also know, you Philippians, that in the beginning of the Good News, when I departed from Macedonia, no assembly shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving but you only. 16 For even in Thessalonica you sent once and again to my need. 17 Not that I seek for the gift, but I seek for the fruit that increases to your account. 18 But I have all things, and abound. I am filled, having received from Epaphroditus the things that came from you, a sweet-smelling fragrance, an acceptable and well-pleasing sacrifice to Elohim. 19 My Elohim will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. 20 Now to our Elohim and Fäther be the glory forever and ever! Amen.

21 Greet every saint in Christ Jeşuş. The brotherş who are with me greet you. 22 All the saints greet you, espeçially those who are of Caeşar'ş household. 23 The graçe of the Lord Jeşuş Christ be with you all. Amen.

COLOSSIANS

Colossians 1

Påul, an apostle of Christ Jeşuş through the will of Elohim, and Timothy our brother, 2 to the saints and faithful brothers in Christ at Colossae: Graçe to you and peace from Elohim our Fäther, and the Lord Jeşuş Christ.

3 We give thanks to Elohim the Fäther of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you, 4 having heard of your faith in Christ Jeşuş, and of the love which you have toward all the saints, 5 because of the hope which is laid up for you in the heavens, of which you heard before in the word of the truth of the Good News, 6 which has come to you; even as it is in all the world and is bearing fruit and growing, as it does in you also, since the day you heard and knew the grace of Elohim in truth; 7 even as you lêarned of Epaphras our beloved fellow sêrvant, who is a faithful sêrvant of Christ on our behälf, 8 who also declared to us your love in the Spirit. 9 For this cåuşe, we ålso, sinçe the day we hêard this, don't çease praying and making requests for you, that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wişdom and understanding, 10 that you may wå/k wôrthily of the Lord, to please him in **å**ll respects, bearing fruit in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of Elohim; 11 strengthened with all power, according to the might of his glory, for all endurance and perseverance with joy; 12 giving thanks to the Father, who made us fit to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light; 13 who delivered us out of the power of därkness, and translated us into the Kingdom of the Son of his love; 14 in whom we have our redemption, the forgiveness of our sins; 15 who is the image of the invisible **Elohim**, the firstborn of all creation. 16 For by him all

things were created, in the heavens and on the earth, things visible and things invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers; all things have been created through him, and for him. 17 He is before all things, and in him all things are held together. 18 He is the head of the body, the assembly, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence. 19 For all the fullness was pleased to dwell in him; 20 and through him to reconcile all things to himself, by him, whether things on the earth, or things in the heavens, having made peace through the blood of his cross.

21 You, being in päst times alienated and enemies in your mind in your evil deeds, 22 yet now he has reconciled in the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and without defect and blameless before him, 23 if it is so that you continue in the faith, grounded and steadfäst, and not moved away from the hope of the Good News which you heard, which is being proclaimed in all creation under heaven; of which I, Paul, was made a servant.

24 New I rejoiçe in my sufferings for your sake, and fill up on my part that which is lacking of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the assembly; 25 of which I was made a servant, according to the stewardship of Elohim which was given me toward you, to fulfill the word of Elohim, 26 the mystery which has been hidden for ages and generations. But new it has been revealed to his saints, 27 to whem because Elohim was pleased to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory; 28 whem we proclaim, admonishing every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus; 29 fo which I also labor, striving according to his working, which works in me mightily.

Colossians 2

For I desire to have you know how greatly I struggle for you, and for those at Laodicea, and for as many as have not seen my face in the flesh; 2 that their hearts may be comforted, they being knit together in love, and gaining all riches of the full assurance of understanding, that they may know the mystery of Elohim, both of the Fäther and of Christ, 3 in whom are all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge hidden. 4 New this I say that no one may delude you with persuasiveness of speech. 5 For though I am absent in the flesh, yet am I with you in the spirit, rejoiçing and seeing your order, and the steadfästness of your faith in Christ. 6 As therefore you received Christ Jesus, the Lord, walk in him, 7 rected and built up in him, and established in the faith, even as you were tåught, abounding in thanksgiving. 8 Be careful that you don't let anyone rob you through his philosophy and vain deçeit, after the tradition of men, after the elements of the world, and not äfter Christ. 9 For in him åll the fullness of the Godhead dwells bodily, 10 and in him you are made full, who is the head of all principality and power; 11 in whom you were ålso çîrcumçişed with a cîrcumçişion not made with handş, in the putting off of the body of the sins of the flesh, in the circumcision of Christ; 12 having been buried

with him in baptişm, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the working of Elohim, who raised him from the dead. 13 You were dead through your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh. He made you alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, 14 wiping out the handwriting in ordinances which was against us; and he has taken it out of the way, nailing it to the cross; 15 having stripped the principalities and the powers, he made a show of them openly, triumphing over them in it.

16 Let no one **therefore** judge you in **e**ating, or in drinking, or wi**th** respect to a **fe**ast day or a new **meen** or a Sabba**th** day, 17 which are a **shadow** of the **th**ings to come; but the body is Christ's. 18 Let no one rob you of your prize by a voluntary humility and worshiping of the **angels**, dwelling in the **th**ings which he has not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind, 19 and not holding firmly to the Head, from whem all the body, being supplied and knit together **th**rough the joints and ligaments, grows with **Elohim's** growth. 20 If you died with Christ from the elements of the world, why, as **though** living in the world, de you subject yourselves to ordinances, 21 "Don't handle, nor taste, nor touch" 22 (all of which perish with use), according to the precepts and doctrines of men? 23 Which things indeed appear like wisdom in self-imposed worship, and humility, and severity to the body; but aren't of any value against the indulgence of the flesh.

Colossians 3

If then you were raised together with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated on the right hand of **Elohim** . 2 Set your mind on the **th**ings that are above, not on the things that are on the earth. 3 For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in Elohim . 4 When Christ, our life, is revealed, then you will also be revealed with him in glory. 5 Put to death therefore your members which are on the êarth: sexual immorality, uncleanness, depraved passion, evil deşire, and covetousness, which is idolatry; 6 for which things' sake the wräth of Elohim comes on the children of disobedience. 7 You also once walked in those, when you lived in them; 8 but new you also put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and shameful speaking out of your mouth. 9 Don't lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old man with his deings, 10 and have put on the new man, whe is being renewed in knowledge äfter the image of his Creator, 11 where there can't be Greek and Jew, cîrcumçişion and unçîrcumçişion, bärbarian, Sçythian, bondsêrvant, freeman; but Christ is åll, and in åll.

12 Put on therefore, as **Elohim'ş choş**en oneş, holy and beloved, a heärt of compassion, kindness, lowliness, humility, and perseverance; 13 bearing with one another, and forgiving **each other**, if any man haş a complaint against any; even as Christ forgave you, so you also de.

14 Above all these things, walk in love, which is the bond of perfection. 15 And let the peace of Elohim rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful. 16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; in all wisdom teaching

and admonishing one another with psä/ms, hymns, and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your heart to the Lord.

- 17 Whatever you de, in word or in deed, de all in the name of the Lord Jeşuş, giving thanks to **Elohim** the Fäther, through him.
- 18 Wives, be in subjection to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord.
- 19 Huşbandş, love your wiveş, and don't be bitter against them.
- 20 Children, obey your parents in all things, for this pleases the Lord.
- 21 Fäthers, don't provoke your children, so that they won't be discouraged.
- 22 Sêrvants, obey in åll **th**ings those who are your mästers according to the flesh, not just when they are looking, as men pleasers, but in singleness of heärt, fearing **YAHWEH**. 23 And whatever you do, work heärtily, as for the Lord, and not for men, 24 knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you sêrve the Lord **YAHWEH**. 25 But he who does wrong will receive again for the wrong that he has done, and there is no pärtiality.

Colossians 4

Mästerş, give to your servants that which is just and equal, knowing that you also have a Mäster in heaven.

2 Continue steadfästly in prayer, watching therein with thanksgiving; 3 praying together for us also, that Elohim may open to us a door for the word, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in bonds; 4 that I may reveal it as I ought to speak. 5 Walk in wisdom toward those who are outside, redeeming the time. 6 Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned with salt, that you may know how you ought to answer each one.

7 All my affairs will be made known to you by Tychicus, the beloved brother, faithful servant, and fellow bondservant in the Lord. 8 I am sending him to you for this very purpose, that he may know your circumstances and comfort your hearts, 9 together with Onesimus, the faithful and beloved brother, who is one of you. They will make known to you everything that is going on here. 10 Aristarchus, my fellow prisoner, greets you, and Mark, the cousin of Barnabas (concerning whom you received commandments, "if he comes to you, receive him"), 11 and Jesus who is called Justus. These are my only fellow workers for which Elohim's Kingdom who are of the circumcision, men who have been a comfort to me.

12 Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ, salutes you, always striving for you in his prayers, that you may stand perfect and complete in all the will of **Elohim**. 13 For I testify about him, that he has great zeal for you, and for those in Laodiçea, and for those in Hierapolis. 14 Luke, the beloved physician, and Demas greet you. 15 Greet the brothers who are in Laodiçea, and Nymphas, and the assembly that is in his house. 16 When this letter has been read among you, cause it

to be read also in the assembly of the Laodiçeans; and that you also read the letter from Laodiçea. 17 Tell Archippus, "Take heed to the ministry which you have received in the Lord, that you fulfill it."

18 The salutation of me, Paul, with my own hand: remember my bonds. Graçe be with you. Amen.

1 THESSALONIANS

1 Thessalonians 1

Påul, Silvänus, and Timothy, to the assembly of the **Th**essalonians in **Elohim** the Fäther and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace from **Elohim** our Fäther and the Lord Jesus Christ.

2 We always give thanks to Elohim for all of you, mentioning you in our prayers, 3 remembering without ceasing your work of faith and labor of love and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, before our Elohim and Fäther. 4 We know, brothers loved by Elohim, that you are chosen, 5 and that our Good News came to you not in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Spirit, and with much assurance. You know what kind of men we showed ourselves to be among you for your sake. 6 You became imitators of us, and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Spirit, 7 so that you became an example to all whe believe in Macedonia and in Achaia. 8 For from you the word of the Lord has been declared, not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place your faith toward Elohim has gone out; so that we need not to say anything. 9 For they themselves report concerning us what kind of a reception we had from you; and how you turned to Elohim from idols, to serve a living and true Elohim, 10 and to wait for his Son from heaven, whem he raised from the dead—Jesus, whe delivers us from the wrath to come.

1 Thessalonians 2

For you yourselves know, brothers, our visit to you wasn't in vain, 2 but having suffered before and been shamefully treated, as you know, at Philippi, we grew bold in our Elohim to tell you the Good News of Elohim in much conflict. 3 For our exhortation is not of error, nor of uncleanness, nor in deception. 4 But even as we have been approved by Elohim to be entrusted with the Good News, so we speak; not as pleasing men, but which Elohim, who tests our hearts. 5 For neither were we at any time found using words of flattery, as you know, nor a cloak of covetousness (Elohim is witness), 6 nor seeking glory from men (neither from you nor from others), when we might have claimed authority as apostles of Christ. 7 But we were gentle among you, like a norsing mother cherishes her own children.

8 Even so, affectionately longing for you, we were well pleased to impart to you, not the Good News of **Elohim** only, but also our own souls, because you had become very dear to us. 9 For you remember, brothers, our labor and travail; for

wôrking night and day, that we might not bûrden any of you, we preached to you the Gòòd Newş of Elohim. 10 You are witnesses with Elohim, how holy, righteously, and blamelessly we behaved ourselveş toward you who believe. 11 As you know, we exhôrted, comforted, and implored every one of you, as a father does his own children, 12 to the end that you should walk wôrthily of Elohim, who calls you into his own Kingdom and glory. 13 For this cause we also thank Elohim without ceasing, that, when you received from us the word of the message of Elohim, you accepted it not as the word of men, but, as it is in truth, the word of Elohim, which also works in you who believe. 14 For you, brothers, became imitators of the assemblies of Elohim which are in Judea in Christ Jesus; for you also suffered the same things from your own countrymen, even as they did from the Jews; 15 who killed both the Lord Jesus and their own prophets, and drove us out, and didn't please Elohim, and are contrary to all men; 16 forbidding us to speak to the Gentiles that they may be saved; to fill up their sins always. But wrath has come on them to the uttermost.

17 But we, brothers, being bereaved of you for a short season, in presence, not in heart, tried even harder to see your face with great desire, 18 because we wanted to come to you—indeed, I, Paul, once and again—but Satan hindered us. 19 For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Isn't it even you, before our Lord Jesus at his coming? 20 For you are our glory and our joy

1 Thessalonians 3

Therefore when we couldn't stand it any longer, we thought it good to be left behind at Athens alone, 2 and sent Timothy, our brother and Elohim's servant in the Good News of Christ, to establish you, and to comfort you concerning your faith; 3 that no one be meved by these afflictions. For you know that we are appointed to this task. 4 For most certainly, when we were with you, we told you beforehand that we are to suffer affliction, even as it happened, and you know. 5 For this cause I also, when I couldn't stand it any longer, sent that I might know your faith, for fear that by any means the tempter had tempted you, and our labor would have been in vain. 6 But when Timothy came just now to us from you, and brought us glad news of your faith and love, and that you have good memories of us álwayş, longing to see us, even as we álso long to see you; 7 for this cáuşe, brothers, we were comforted over you in all our distress and affliction through your faith. 8 For new we live, if you stand fast in the Lord. 9 For what thanksgiving can we render again to **Elohim** for you, for all the joy with which we rejoice for your sakes before our Elohim; 10 night and day praying exceedingly that we may see your face, and may perfect that which is lacking in your faith? 11 New may our Elohim and Fäther himself, and our Lord Jeşuş Christ, direct our way to you; 12 and the Lord make you to increase and abound in love one toward another, and toward all men, even as we ålso de towård you, 13 to the end he may establish your heärts blameless in holiness before our Elohim and Fäther, at the coming of our Lord Jeşuş with all his saints.

1 Thessalonians 4

Finally then, brothers, we beg and exhort you in the Lord Jesus, that as you received from us how you ought to walk and to please Elohim, that you abound more and more. 2 For you know what instructions we gave you through the Lord Jesus. 3 For this is the will of Elohim: your sanctification, that you abstain from sexual immorality, 4 that each one of you know how to control his own body in sanctification and honor, 5 not in the passion of lust, even as the Gentiles who don't know Elohim; 6 that no one should take advantage of and wrong a brother or sister in this matter; because the Lord is an avenger in all these things, as also we forewarned you and testified. 7 For Elohim called us not for uncleanness, but in sanctification. 8 Therefore he who rejects this doesn't reject man, but Elohim, who has also given his Holy Spirit to you.

9 But conçêrning brotherly love, you have no need that one write to you. For you yourselves are taught by Elohim to love one another, 10 for indeed you do it toward all the brothers who are in all Maçedonia. But we exhort you, brothers, that you abound more and more; 11 and that you make it your ambition to lead a quiet life, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, even as we instructed you; 12 that you may walk properly toward those who are outside, and may have need of nothing.

13 But we don't want you to be ignorant, brothers, conçêrning those who have fallen asleep, so that you don't grieve like the rest, who have no hope. 14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so Elohim will bring with him those who have fallen asleep in Jesus. 15 For this we tell you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left to the coming of the Lord, will in no way preçede those who have fallen asleep. 16 For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the ärchangel, and with Elohim's trumpet. The dead in Christ will rise first, 17 then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air. So we will be with the Lord forever. 18 Therefore comfort one another with these words.

1 Thessalonians 5

But conçêrning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need that anything be written to you. 2 For you yourselves know well that the day of the Lord comes like a thief in the night. 3 For when they are saying, "Peaçe and safety," then sudden destruction will come on them, like bîrth pains on a pregnant woman; and they will in no way escape. 4 But you, brothers, ären't in därkness, that the day should overtake you like a thief. 5 You are all children of light, and children of the day. We don't belong to the night, nor to därkness, 6 so then let's not sleep, as the rest do, but let's watch and be sober. 7 For those who sleep, sleep in the night, and those who are drunk are drunk in the night. 8 But let us, since we belong to the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and, for a helmet, the hope of

salvation. 9 For **Elohim** didn't appoint us to wräth, but to the obtaining of salvation through our Lord Jeşuş Christ, 10 who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him. 11 Therefore exhort one another, and build each other up, even as you also do. 12 But we beg you, brothers, to know those who labor among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you, 13 and to respect and honor them in love for their work's sake.

Be at peaçe among yourselves. 14 We exhort you, brothers, admonish the disorderly, encourage the faint-hearted, support the weak, be patient toward all. 15 See that no one returns evil for evil to anyone, but always follow after that which is good, for one another, and for all.

16 Rejoiçe ålwayş. 17 Pray without çeasing. 18 In everything give thanks, for this is the will of **Elohim** in Christ Jeşuş towård you. 19 Don't quench the Spirit. 20 Don't despişe prophesieş. 21 Test åll thingş, and hold firmly that which is good. 22 Abstain from every form of evil.

23 May the **Elohim** of peaçe himself sanctify you completely. May your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

24 He who calls you is faithful, who will also do it. 25 Brothers, pray for us. 26 Greet all the brothers with a holy kiss. 27 I solemnly command you by the Lord that this letter be read to all the holy brothers.

28 The grace of our Lord Jeşuş Christ be with you. Amen.

2 THESSALONIANS

2 Thessalonians 1

Påul, Silvänus, and Timothy, to the assembly of the **Th**essalonians in **Elohim** our Fäther, and the Lord Jesus Christ: 2 Grace to you and peace from **Elohim** our Fäther and the Lord Jesus Christ.

3 We are bound to always give thanks to Elohim for you, brothers, even as it is appropriate, because your faith grows exceedingly, and the love of each and every one of you towards one another abounds; 4 so that we ourselves boast about you in the assemblies of Elohim for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and in the afflictions which you endure. 5 This is an obvious sign of the righteous judgment of Elohim, to the end that you may be counted worthy of Elohim's Kingdom, for which you also suffer. 6 Since it is a righteous thing with Elohim to repay affliction to those who afflict you, 7 and to give relief to you who are afflicted with us, when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his mighty angels in flaming fire, 8 giving vengeance to those who don't know Elohim, and to those who don't obey the Good News of our Lord Jesus, 9 who will pay the penalty: eternal destruction from the face of the Lord and from the glory of his might, 10 when he comes

to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired among all those who have believed (because our testimony to you was believed) in that day.

11 To this end we also pray always for you, that our Elohim may count you worthy of your calling, and fulfill every desire of goodness and work of faith, with power; 12 that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our Elohim and the Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Thessalonians 2

New, brothers, conçerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and our gathering together to him, we ask you 2 not to be quickly shaken in your mind, nor yet be troubled, either by spirit, or by wôrd, or by letter as from us, saying that the day of Christ had come. 3 Let no one deceive you in any way. For it will not be, unless the depärture comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of destruction, 4 he who opposes and exalts himself against all that is called Elohim or that is wôrshiped; so that he sits as Elohim in the temple of Elohim, setting himself up as Elohim. 5 Don't you remember that, when I was still with you, I told you these things? 6 New you know what is restraining him, to the end that he may be revealed in his own season. 7 For the mystery of lawlessness already works. Only there is one who restrains now, until he is taken out of the way. 8 Then the lawless one will be revealed, when the Lord will kill with the breath of his mouth, and destroy by the manifestation of his coming; 9 even he whose coming is according to the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, 10 and with all deception of wickedness for **those** whe are being lost, because they didn't receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved. 11 Because of this, Elohim sends them a wôrking of error, that they should believe a lie; 12 that they all might be judged who didn't believe the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness. 13 But we are bound to ålwayş give thanks to Elohim for you, brotherş loved by the Lord, because **Elohim chose** you from the beginning for salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief in the truth; 14 to which he called you through our Good News, for the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jeşuş Christ. 15 So then, brothers, stand firm, and hold the traditions which you were taught by us, whether by word, or by letter.16 New our Lord Jeşuş Christ himself, and Elohim our Fäther, who loved us and gave us etêrnal comfort and good hope through grace, 17 comfort your hearts and establish you in every good work and word.

2 Thessalonians 3

Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may spread rapidly and be glorified, even as also with you; 2 and that we may be delivered from unreasonable and evil men; for not all have faith. 3 But the Lord is faithful, who will establish you, and guard you from the evil one. 4 We have confidence in the Lord concerning you, that you both do and will do the things we command. 5 May the Lord direct your hearts into the love of Elohim, and into the patience of Christ.

6 New we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you withdraw yourselves from every brother who walks in rebellion, and not after the tradition which they received from us. 7 For you know how you ought to imitate us. For we didn't behave ourselves rebelliously among you, 8 neither did we eat bread from anyone's hand without paying for it, but in labor and travail worked night and day, that we might not burden any of you; 9 not because we don't have the right, but to make ourselves an example to you, that you should imitate us. 10 For even when we were with you, we commanded you this: "If anyone will not work, don't let him eat." 11 For we hear of some who walk among you in rebellion, who don't work at all, but are busybodies. 12 New those who are that way, we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ, that with quietness they work, and eat their own bread.

13 But you, br**oth**er**ş**, d**o**n't be weary in d**e**ing well. 14 If any man d**o**e**ş**n't **o**bey **o**ur w**o**rd in **th**is letter, n**o**te **th**at man, **th**at you have no c**o**mpany wi**th** him, to the end **th**at he may be a**sha**med. 15 D**o**n't c**o**unt him as an enemy, but admoni**sh** him as a br**oth**er.

16 New may the Lord of peaçe himself give you peaçe at all times in all ways. The Lord be with you all.

17 The greeting of me, Paul, with my own hand, which is the sign in every letter: this is how I write. 18 The grace of our Lord Jeşuş Christ be with you all.

1 TIMOTHY

1 Timothy 1

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jeşuş according to the commandment of **Elohim** our Savior, and Christ Jeşuş our hope; 2 to Timothy, my true child in faith: Graçe, mêrçy, and peaçe, from **Elohim** our Fäther and Christ Jeşuş our Lord.

3 As I ûrged you when I was going into Maçedonia, stay at Ephesus that you might command çêrtain men not to teach a different doctrine, 4 and not to pay attention to myths and endless genealogies, which câuse disputes, räther than Elohim's stewardship, which is in faith — 5 but the goal of this command is love, out of a pure heart and a good conscience and sincere faith; 6 from which things some, having missed the märk, have tûrned aside to vain tâlking; 7 deşiring to be teachers of the Tôrah, though they understand neither what they say, nor about what they strongly affîrm. 8 But we know that the Torah is good, if a man uses it lâwfülly, 9 as knowing this, that Tôrah is not made for a righteous man, but for the lâwless and insubôrdinate, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for mûrderers of fäthers and mûrderers of mothers, for man slayers, 10 for the sexually immoral, for homosexuals, for slave-traders, for liars, for pêrjurers, and for any other thing contrary to the sound doctrine; 11 accôrding to the Good News of the glôry of the blessed Elohim, which was committed to my trust. 12 And I thank him who enabled me, Christ Jesus our Lôrd, becâuse he counted me faithful, appointing me to

sêrviçe; 13 ålthough I was before a blasphemer a pêrsecutor, and insolent. However, I obtained mêrçy, becauşe I did it ignorantly in unbelief. 14 The graçe of our Lord abounded exceedingly with faith and love which is in Christ Jeşuş. 15 The saying is faithful and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jeşuş came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief. 16 However, for this cause I obtained mêrçy, that in me first, Jeşuş Christ might display all his patience, for an example of those who were going to believe in him for eternal life. 17 Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, to Elohim who alone is wise, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

18 **Th**is instruction I commit to you, my child Timothy, according to the prophecies which led the way to you, that by them you may wage the good warfare; 19 holding faith and a good conscience; which some having thrust away made a shipwreck concerning the faith; 20 of whem is Hymenaeus and Alexander; whem I delivered to Satan, that they might be taught not to blaspheme.

1 Timothy 2

I exhort therefore, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercessions, and givings of thanks, be made for all men: 2 for kings and all who are in high places; that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and reverence. 3 For this is good and acceptable in the sight of **Elohim our Savior**; 4 who desires all people to be saved and come to full knowledge of the truth. 5 For there is one Elohim, and one mediator between **Elohim** and men, the man Christ Jesus, 6 who gave himself as a ransom for all; the testimony in its own times; 7 to which I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth in Christ, not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.8 I desire therefore that the men in every place pray, lifting up holy hands without anger and doubting. 9 In the same way, that women also adorn themselves in decent clothing, with modesty and propriety; not just with braided hair, gold, pêarls, or expensive clothing; 10 but (which becomes women professing godliness) with good works. 11 Let a woman learn in quietness with all subjection. 12 But I don't permit a woman to teach, nor to exercise authority over a man, but to be in quietness. 13 For Adam was first formed, then Eve. 14 Adam w**o**man, wasn't deceived, but the b**e**ing de**çe**ived, ha**ş** disobedience; 15 but she will be saved through her childbearing, if they continue in faith, love, and sanctification with sobriety.

1 Timothy 3

This is a faithful saying: if a man seeks the office of an overseer, he desires a good work. 2 The overseer therefore must be without reproach, the husband of one wife, temperate, sensible, modest, hospitable, good at teaching; 3 not a drinker, not violent, not greedy for money, but gentle, not quarrelsome, not covetous; 4 one who rules his own house well, having children in subjection with all reverence; 5 (but if a man doesn't know how to rule his own house, how will he take care of the assembly of Elohim?) 6 not a new convert, lest being puffed up he fall into the

same condemnation as the devil. 7 Moreover he must have good testimony from those who are outside, to avoid falling into reproach and the snare of the devil.

8 Sêrvants, in the same way, must be reverent, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for money; 9 holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience. 10 Let them also first be tested; then let them sêrve if they are blameless. 11 Their wives in the same way must be reverent, not slanderers, temperate, faithful in all things. 12 Let sêrvants be husbands of one wife, ruling their children and their own houses well. 13 For those who have sêrved well gain for themselves a good standing, and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus.

14 **These th**ings I write to you, hoping to come to you **sho**rtly; 15 but if I wait long, that you may know how men ought to behave **th**emselves in **Elohim's** house, which is the assembly of the living **Elohim**, the pillar and ground of the truth. 16 Without controversy, the mystery of godliness is great:

Elohim was revealed in the flesh, justified in the spirit, seen by angels, preached among the nations, believed on in the world, and received up in glory.

1 Timothy 4

But the Spirit says expressly that in later times some will fall away from the faith, paying attention to seducing spirits and doctrines of demons, 2 through the hypocrisy of men who speak lies, branded in their own conscience as with a hot iron; 3 forbidding marriage and commanding to abstain from feeds which Elohim created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and know the truth. 4 For every creature of **Elohim** is good, and nothing is to be rejected, if it is received with thanksgiving. 5 For it is sanctified through the word of Elohim and prayer. 6 If you instruct the brothers of these things, you will be a good servant of Christ Jeşuş, nourished in the words of the faith, and of the good doctrine which you have followed. 7 But refuse profane and old wives' fables. Exerçise yourself toward godliness. 8 For bodily exercise has some value, but godliness has value in all things, having the promise of the life which is now, and of that which is to come. 9 This saying is faithful and worthy of all acceptance. 10 For to this end we both labor and suffer reproach, because we have set our trust in the living Elohim, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. 11 Command and teach these things.

12 Let no man despişe your youth; but be an example to those who believe, in word, in your way of life, in love, in spirit, in faith, and in purity. 13 Until I come, pay attention to reading, to exhortation, and to teaching. 14 Don't neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the elders. 15 Be diligent in these things. Give yourself wholly to them, that your progress may be revealed to all. 16 Pay attention to yourself, and to your teaching. Continue in these things, for in doing this you will save both yourself and those who hear you.

1 Timothy 5

Don't rebuke an older man, but exhôrt him as a fäther; the younger men as brothers; 2 the elder women as mothers; the younger as sisters, in all purity. 3 Honor widows who are widows indeed. 4 But if any widow has children or grandchildren, let them lêarn fîrst to show piety towards their own family, and to repay their parents, for this is acceptable in the sight of Elohim. 5 New she who is a widow indeed, and desolate, has her hope set on Elohim, and continues in petitions and prayers night and day. 6 But she who gives herself to pleasure is dead while she lives. 7 Also command these things, that they may be without reproach. 8 But if anyone doesn't provide for his own, and especially his own household, he has denied the faith, and is worse than an unbeliever. 9 Let no one be enrolled as a widow under sixty years old, having been the wife of one man, 10 being approved by good works, if she has brought up children, if she has been hospitable to strangers, if she has washed the saints' feet, if she has relieved the afflicted, and if she has diligently followed every good work.

11 But refuse younger widows, for when they have grown wanton against Christ, they desire to marry; 12 having condemnation, because they have rejected their first pledge. 13 Besides, they also learn to be idle, going about from house to house. Not only idle, but also gossips and busybodies, saying things which they ought not. 14 I desire therefore that the younger widows marry, bear children, rule the household, and give no occasion to the adversary for insulting. 15 For already some have turned aside after Satan. 16 If any man or woman who believes has widows, let them relieve them, and don't let the assembly be burdened; that it might relieve those who are widows indeed.

17 Let the elders who rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in the word and in teaching. 18 For the Scripture says, "You shall not muzzle the ox when it treads out the grain." And, "The laborer is worthy of his wages."

19 Don't reçeive an accuşation against an elder, except at the word of two or three witnesses. 20 Those who sin, reprove in the sight of all, that the rest also may be in fear. 21 I command you in the sight of Elohim, and Christ Jeşuş, and the chosen angels, that you observe these things without prejudice, doing nothing by partiality. 22 Lay hands hastily on no one, neither be a participant in other men's sins. Keep yourself pure. 23 Be no longer a drinker of water only, but use a little wine for your stomach's sake and your frequent infirmities.

24 Some men's sins are evident, preceding them to judgment, and some also follow later. 25 In the same way also there are good works that are obvious, and those that are otherwise can't be hidden.

1 Timothy 6

Let as many as are bondservants under the yoke count their own mästers worthy of all honor, that the name of **Elohim** and the doctrine not be blasphemed. 2 **Those** who have believing mästers, let them not despise them, because they are brothers, but räther let them serve them, because those who pärtake of the benefit are believing and beloved. Teach and exhort these things.

3 If anyone teaches a different doctrine, and doesn't consent to sound words, the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness, 4 he is conceited, knowing nothing, but obsessed with ärguments, disputes, and word battles, from which come envy, strife, insulting, evil suspicions, 5 constant friction of people of corrupt minds and destitute of the truth, who suppose that godliness is a means of gain. Withdraw yourself from such.

6 But godliness with contentment is great gain. 7 For we brought nothing into the world, and we certainly can't carry anything out. 8 But having food and clothing, we will be content with that. 9 But those who are determined to be rich fall into a temptation and a snare and many foolish and harmful lusts, such as drown men in ruin and destruction. 10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some have been led astray from the faith in their greed, and have pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

11 But you, man of **Elohim**, flee **these things**, and follow **ä**fter righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, and gentleness. 12 Fight the good fight of faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called, and you confessed the good confession in the sight of many witnesses. 13 I command you before **Elohim**, who gives life to all **things**, and before Christ Jesus, who before Pontius Pilate testified the good confession, 14 that you keep the commandment without spot, blameless, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ; 15 which in its own times he will show, who is the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings, and Lord of lords; 16 who alone has immortality, dwelling in unapproachable light; whom no man has seen, nor can see: to whom be honor and eternal power. Amen.

17 Chärge those who are rich in this present world that they not be håughty, nor have their hope set on the uncertainty of riches, but on the living Elohim, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy; 18 that they do good, that they be rich in good works, that they be ready to distribute, willing to communicate; 19 laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold of eternal life.

20 Timothy, guard that which is committed to you, turning away from the empty chatter and oppositions of what is falsely called knowledge; 21 which some profess, and thus have wandered from the faith. Grace be with you. Amen.

2 TIMOTHY

2 Timothy 1

Påul, an apostle of Jeşuş Christ **th**rough the will of **Elohim**, according to the promise of the life which is in Christ Jeşuş, 2 to Timo**th**y, my beloved **chi**ld: Graçe, mêrçy, and peaçe, from **Elohim** the Fäther and Christ Jeşuş our Lord.

3 I thank Elohim, whem I serve as my forefathers did, with a pure conscience. How unceasing is my memory of you in my petitions, night and day 4 longing to see you, remembering your tears, that I may be filled with joy; 5 having been reminded of the sincere faith that is in you; which lived first in your grand-mother Lois, and your mother Eunice, and, I am persuaded, in you also.

6 For this cauşe, I remind you that you should stîr up the gift of Elohim which is in you through the laying on of my hands. 7 For Elohim didn't give us a spirit of fear, but of power, love, and self-control. 8 Therefore don't be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner; but endure hardship for the Good News according to the power of Elohim, 9 who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given to us in Christ Jeşuş before times eternal, 10 but has now been revealed by the appearing of our Savior, Christ Jeşuş, who abolished death, and brought life and immortality to light through the Good News. 11 For this, I was appointed as a preacher, an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles. 12 For this cause I also suffer these things. Yet I am not ashamed, for I know him whom I have believed, and I am persuaded that he is able to guard that which I have committed to him against that day.

13 Hold the pattern of sound words which you have heard from me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus. 14 That good thing which was committed to you, guard through the Holy Spirit who dwells in us.

15 **Th**is you know, **th**at **å**ll wh**e** are in **A**şia **tû**rned away from me; of wh**e**m are **Phyge**lus and **Hê**rmogeneş. 16 May the **Lô**rd grant mêrçy to the house of Onesi**phô**rus, for he often refreshed me, and was not ashamed of my chain, 17 but when he was in Rome, he sôught me diligently, and found me 18 (the **Lô**rd grant to him to find the **Lô**rd'ş mêrçy in **th**at day); and in how many **th**ingş he sêrved at **Ephesus**, you know very well.

2 Timothy 2

You therefore, my child, be strengthened in the grace that is in Christ Jeşuş. 2 The things which you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit the same to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also. 3 You therefore must endure hardship, as a good soldier of Christ Jeşuş. 4 No soldier on duty entangles himself in the affairs of life, that he may please him who enrolled him as a soldier. 5 Also, if anyone competes in athletics, he isn't crowned unless he has competed by the

ruleş. 6 The färmerş who labor must be the fîrst to get a **sha**re of the crops. 7 Consider what I say, and may the Lord give you understanding in all **th**ings.

8 Remember Jeşuş Christ, rişen from the dead, of the offspring of David, according to my Good News, 9 in which I suffer härdship to the point of chains as a criminal. But Elohim's word isn't chained. 10 Therefore I endure all things for the chosen ones' sake, that they also may obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jeşuş with eternal glory. 11 This saying is trustworthy:

"For if we died with him, we will also live with him.12 If we endure, we will also reign with him. If we deny him, he also will deny us.13 If we are faithless, he remains faithful. He can't deny himself."

14 Remind them of these things, charging them in the sight of the Lord, that they don't argue about words, to no profit, to the subverting of those who hear.

15 Give diligençe to preşent yourself approved by Elohim, a workman who doeşn't need to be ashamed, properly handling the Word of Truth. 16 But shun empty chatter, for it will go Fûrther in ungodliness, 17 and those words will consume like gangrene, of whom is Hymenaeus and Philetus; 18 men who have êrred conçêrning the truth, saying that the resurrection is already past, and overthrowing the faith of some. 19 However Elohim's fîrm foundation stands, having this seal, "The Lord YAHWEH knows those who are his," and, "Let every one who names the name of the Lord depart from unrighteousness." 20 Now in a large house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of clay. Some are for honor, and some for dishonor. 21 If anyone therefore pûrgeş himself from these, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified, and suitable for the mäster's use, prepared for every good work.

22 Flee from youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart. 23 But refuse foolish and ignorant questionings, knowing that they generate strife. 24 The Lord's servant must not quarrel, but be gentle towards all, able to teach, patient, 25 in gentleness correcting those who oppose him: perhaps may give them repentance leading to a full knowledge of the truth, 26 and they may recover themselves out of the devil's snare, having been taken captive by him to his will.

2 Timothy 3

But know this, that in the läst days, grievous times will come. 2 For men will be lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, arrogant, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, 3 without natural affection, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, fierce, not lovers of good, 4 traitors, headstrong, conceited, lovers of pleasure räther than lovers of Elohim; 5 holding a form of godliness, but having denied its power. Turn away from these, also. 6 For some of these are people who creep into houses, and take captive gullible women loaded down with sins, led away by various lusts, 7 always learning, and never able to come to the

knowledge of the truth. 8 Even as Jannes and Jambres opposed Moses, so de these also oppose the truth; men corrupted in mind, whe concerning the faith, are rejected. 9 But they will proceed no Fürther. För their folly will be evident to all men, as theirs also came to be. 10 But you did follow my teaching, conduct, pürpose, faith, patience, love, steadfastness, 11 persecutions, and sufferings: those things that happened to me at Antioch, Iconium, and Lystra. I endured those persecutions. The Lord delivered me out of them all. 12 Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. 13 But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. 14 But you remain in the things which you have learned and have been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them. 15 From infancy, you have known the holy Scriptures which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith, which is in Christ Jesus. 16 Every Scripture is Elohim-breathed and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for instruction in righteousness, 17 that the man of Elohim may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 4

I command you **therefore** before **Elohim** and the Lord Jeşuş Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at his appearing and his Kingdom: 2 preach the word; be **ûrgent** in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with all patience and teaching. 3 For the time will come when they will not listen to the sound doctrine, but, having itching ears, will heap up for themselves teachers after their own lusts; 4 and will tûrn away their ears from the truth, and tûrn aside to fables. 5 But you be sober in all things, suffer hardship, do the work of an evangelist, and fulfill your ministry.

fought the good fight. I have finished the course. I have kept the faith. 8 From now on, there is stored up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day; and not to me only, but also to all those who have loved his appearing. 9 Be diligent to come to me soon, 10 for Demas left me, having loved this present world, and went to Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, and Titus to Dalmatia. 11 Only Luke is with me. Take Märk, and bring him with you, for he is useful to me for service. 12 But I sent Tychicus to Ephesus. 13 Bring the cloak that I left at Troas with Cärpus when you come, and the books, especially the pärchments. 14 Alexander, the coppersmith, did much evil to me. The Lord will repay him according to his deeds, 15 of whom you also must beware; for he greatly opposed our words.

16 At my fîrst defense, no one came to help me, but åll left me. May it not be held against **th**em. 17 But the Lord stood by me, and streng**th**ened me, **th**at **th**rough me the message might be fully proclaimed, and **th**at åll the Gentiles might hear; and I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion. 18 And the Lord will deliver me from every evil

wôrk, and will preşêrve me for his heavenly Kingdóm; to whom be the glóry forever and ever. Amen.

19 Greet Prisca and Aquila, and the house of Onesiphorus. 20 Erastus remained at Corinth, but I left Trophimus at Miletus sick. 21 Be diligent to come before winter. Eubulus salutes you, as do Pudens, Linus, Claudia, and all the brothers. 22 The Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Grace be with you. Amen.

TITUS

Titus 1

Påul, a sêrvant of **Elohim**, and an apostle of Jeşuş Christ, according to the faith of Elohim's chosen ones, and the knowledge of the truth which is according to godliness, 2 in hope of eternal life, which Elohim, who can't lie, promised before time began; 3 but in his own time revealed his word in the message with which I was entrusted according to the commandment of **Elohim our Savior**; 4 to Titus, my true child according to a common faith: Grace, mêrcy, and peace from Elohim the Fäther and the Lord Jesus Christ our Savior. 5 I left you in Crete for this reason, that you would set in order the things that were lacking, and appoint elders in every city, as I directed you; 6 if anyone is blameless, the husband of one wife, having children who believe, who are not accused of loose or unruly behavior. 7 For the overseer must be blameless, as Elohim's steward; not self-pleasing, not easily angered, not given to wine, not violent, not greedy for dishonest gain; 8 but given to hospitality, a lover of good, sober minded, fair, holy, self-controlled; 9 holding to the faithful word which is according to the teaching, that he may be able to exhort in the sound doctrine, and to convict those who contradict him. 10 For there are also many unruly men, vain tå/kerş and de**c**eiver**s**, especially those of cîrcumçişion, 11 whose mouths must be stopped; men who overthrow whole houses, teaching things which they ought not, for dishonest gain's sake. 12 One of them, a prophet of their own, said, "Cretanş are alwayş liarş, evil beasts, and idle gluttons." 13 This testimony is true. For this cause, reprove them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith, 14 not paying attention to Jewish fables and commandments of men who turn away from the truth. 15 To the pure, all things are pure; but to **those** whe are defiled and unbelieving, nothing is pure; but both their mind and their conscience are defiled. 16 They profess that they know Elohim, but by their deeds they deny him, being abominable, disobedient, and unfit for any g**öö**d w**ô**rk.

Titus 2

But say the **th**ings which fit sound doctrine, 2 **th**at older men **sh**où/d be temperate, sensible, sober minded, sound in fai**th**, in love, and in patience: 3 and **th**at older women likewise be reverent in behavior, not slanderers nor enslaved to much wine, teachers of **th**at which is good; 4 that **th**ey may train the young women to love

their husbands, to love their children, 5 to be sober minded, chaste, workers at home, kind, being in subjection to their own husbands, that Elohim's word may not be blasphemed. 6 Likewise, exhôrt the younger men to be sober minded; 7 in åll things showing yourself an example of good works; in your teaching showing integrity, seriousness, incorruptibility, 8 and soundness of speech that can't be condemned; that he who opposes you may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say about us. 9 Exhort servants to be in subjection to their own masters, and to be well-pleasing in all things; not contradicting; 10 not stealing, but showing all good fidelity; that they may adorn the doctrine of **Elohim**, our Savior, in all things. 11 For the grace of **Elohim** has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, 12 instructing us to the intent **th**at, denying ungodliness and wôrldly lusts, we would live soberly, godly in this present world; 13 looking for the blessed hope and righteously, and appearing of the glory of our great Elohim and Savior, Jesus Christ; 14 who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and Purify for himself a people for his own possession, zealous for good works. 15 Say these things and exhort and reprove with all authority. Let no man despise you.

Titus 3

Remind them to be in subjection to rulers and to authorities, to be obedient, to be ready for every good work, 2 to speak evil of no one, not to be contentious, to be gentle, showing åll humility towård åll men. 3 For we were ålso once feelish, disobedient, deceived, serving various lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another. 4 But when the kindness of **Elohim** our Savior and his love towård mankind appeared, 5 not by wôrks of righteousness, which we did ourselves, but according to his mêrçy, he saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit, 6 whom he poured out on us richly, through Jesus Christ our Savior; 7 that, being justified by his grace, we might be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life. 8 This saying is faithful, and concerning these things I desire that you affirm confidently, so that those who have believed Elohim may be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable to men; 9 but shun feelish questionings, genealogies, strife, and disputes about the Torah; for they are unprofitable and vain. 10 Avoid a factious man after a first and second warning; 11 knowing that such a one is perverted and sins, being selfcondemned.

12 When I send Artemas to you, or Tychicus, be diligent to come to me to Nicopolis, for I have determined to winter there. 13 Send Zenas, the lawyer, and Apollos on their journey speedily, that nothing may be lacking for them. 14 Let our people also learn to maintain good works for necessary uses, that they may not be unfruitful. 15 All who are with me greet you. Greet those who love us in faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

PHILEMON

Philemon

1 Påul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, to Philemon, our beloved fellow worker, 2 to the beloved Apphia, to Archippus, our fellow soldier, and to the assembly in your house: 3 Graçe to you and peace from Elohim our Fäther and the Lord Jesus Christ.

4 I thank my Elohim ålwayş, making mention of you in my prayerş, 5 hearing of your love, and of the faith which you have toward the Lord Jeşuş, and toward all the saints; 6 that the fellowship of your faith may become effective, in the knowledge of every good thing which is in us in Christ Jeşuş. 7 For we have much joy and comfort in your love, becauşe the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, brother.

8 Therefore though I have all boldness in Christ to command you that which is appropriate, 9 yet for love's sake I rather beg, being such a one as Paul, the aged, but also a prisoner of Jesus Christ. 10 I beg you for my child, whem I have become the father of in my chains, Onesimus, 11 who once was useless to you, but now is useful to you and to me. 12 I am sending him back. Therefore receive him, that is, my own heart, 13 whom I desired to keep with me, that on your behalf he might serve me in my chains for the Good News. 14 But I was willing to do nothing without your consent, that your goodness would not be as of necessity, but of free will. 15 For perhaps he was therefore separated from you for a while, that you would have him forever, 16 no longer as a slave, but more than a slave, a beloved brother, especially to me, but how much rather to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

17 If then you count me a pärtner, reçeive him as you would reçeive me. 18 But if he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, put that to my account. 19 I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it (not to mention to you that you owe to me even your own self besides). 20 Yes, brother, let me have joy from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in the Lord. 21 Having confidence in your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even beyond what I say.

22 Also, prepare a guest reem for me, for I hope that through your prayers I will be restored to you. 23 Epaphras, my fellow prisoner in Christ Jesus, greets you, 24 as de Märk, Aristärchus, Demas, and Luke, my fellow workers. 25 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen

HEBREWS

Hebrews 1

Elohim, having in the päst spoken to the fäthers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, 2 has at the end of these days spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom also he made the worlds. 3 His Son is

the radiance of his glory, the very image of his substance, and upholding all **th**ings by the word of his power, when he had by himself purified us of our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high; 4 having become so much better **th**an the angels, as he has inherited a more excellent name **th**an **th**ey have. 5 For to which of the angels did he say at any time,

"You are my Son. Today have I become your father?" and again,

"I will be to him a Fäther, and he will be to me a Son?"

6 When he again brings in the firstborn into the world he says, "Let all the angels of Elohim worship him." 7 Of the angels he says,

"Whe makes his angels winds, and his servants a flame of fire."

8 But of the Son he says,

"Your throne, O Elohim, is forever and ever. The scepter of uprightness is the scepter of your Kingdom.9 You have loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore Elohim, your Elohim, has anointed you with the oil of gladness above your fellows."

10 And,

"You, in the beginning, laid the foundation of the earth. The heavens are the works of your hands.11 They will perish, but you continue. They all will grow old like a gärment does.12 You will roll them up like a mantle, and they will be changed; but you are the same. Your years will not fail."

13 But which of the angels has he told at any time,

"Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies the footstool of your feet?"

14 Aren't **th**ey **å**ll s**ê**rving spirits, sent **o**ut to d**o** s**ê**rvi**c**e for the sake of **thos**e who will inherit salvation?

Hebrews 2

Therefore we ought to pay greater attention to the things that were heard, lest perhaps we drift away. 2 For if the word spoken through angels preved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompense; 3 how will we escape if we neglect so great a salvation—which at the first having been spoken through the Lord, was confirmed to us by those who heard; 4 Elohim also testifying with them, both by signs and wonders, by various works of power, and by gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to his own will? 5 For he didn't subject the world to come, of which we speak, to angels. 6 But one has somewhere testified, saying,

"What is man, that you think of him? Or the son of man, that you care for him?7 You

made him a little lower **th**an the angels. You crowned him wi**th** glory and honor.8 You have put all **th**ings in subjection under his feet."

For in that he subjected all things to him, he left nothing that is not subject to him. But now we don't see all things subjected to him, yet. 9 But we see him who has been made a little lower than the angels, Jesus, because of the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that by the grace of Elohim he should taste of death for everyone. 10 For it became him, for whom are all things, and through whom are all things, in bringing many children to glory, to make the author of their salvation perfect through sufferings. 11 For both he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified are all from one, for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brothers, 12 saying,

"I will declare your name to my brothers. Among of the congregation I will sing your praise."

13 Again, "I will put my trust in him." Again, "Behold, here I am with the children whem Elohim has given me." 14 Since then the children have shared in flesh and blood, he also himself in the same way partook of the same, that through death he might bring to nothing him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, 15 and might deliver all of them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage. 16 For most certainly, he doesn't give help to angels, but he gives help to the offspring of Abraham. 17 Therefore he was obligated in all things to be made like his brothers, that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to Elohim, to make atonement for the sins of the people. 18 For in that he himself has suffered being tempted, he is able to help those who are tempted.

Hebrews 3

Therefore, holy brothers, partakers of a heavenly calling, Consider the Apostle and High Priest of our confession, Jesus; 2 who was faithful to him who appointed him, as also was Moses in all his house. 3 For he has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses, because he who built the house has more honor than the house. 4 For every house is built by someone; but he who built all things is Elohim. 5 Moses indeed was faithful in all his house as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were afterward to be spoken, 6 but Christ is faithful as a Son over his house; whose house we are, if we hold fast our confidence and the glorying of our hope firm to the end. 7 Therefore, even as the Holy Spirit says,

"Today if you will hear his voiçe, 8 don't härden your heärts, as in the rebellion, like as in the day of the trial in the wilderness,9 where your fäthers tested me by proving me, and saw my deeds for forty years.10 Therefore I was displeased with that generation, and said, 'They always êrr in their heärt, but they didn't know my ways;11 as I swore in my wrath, 'They will not enter into my rest."

12 Beware, brothers, lest perhaps there be in any one of you an evil heart of unbelief, in falling away from the living Elohim; 13 but exhort one another day by day, so long as it is called "today"; lest any one of you be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. 14 For we have become partakers of Christ, if we hold fast the beginning of our confidence firm to the end: 15 while it is said,

"Today if you will hear his voiçe, don't härden your hearts, as in the rebellion."

16 For whe, when they heard, rebelled? No, didn't all those whe came out of Egypt by Moses? 17 With whem was he displeased forty years? Wasn't it with those whe sinned, whese bodies fell in the wilderness? 18 To whem did he swear that they wouldn't enter into his rest, but to those whe were disobedient? 19 We see that they were not able to enter in because of unbelief.

Hebrews 4

Let us fear therefore, lest perhaps anyone of you should seem to have come short of a promise of entering into his rest. 2 For indeed we have had good news preached to us, even as they also did, but the word they heard didn't profit them, because it wasn't mixed with faith by those who heard. 3 For we who have believed do enter into that rest, even as he has said, "As I swore in my wräth, they will not enter into my rest"; although the works were finished from the foundation of the world. 4 For he has said this somewhere about the seventh day, "Elohim rested on the seventh day from all his works"; 5 and in this place again, "They will not enter into my rest."

6 Seeing therefore it remains that some should enter therein, and they to whom the good news was before preached failed to enter in because of dis-obedience, 7 he again defines a certain day, today, saying through David so long a time afterward (just as has been said),

"Today if you will hear his voice, don't härden your hearts."

8 For if Joshua had given them rest, he would not have spoken afterward of another day. 9 There remains therefore a Sabbath rest for the people of Elohim. 10 For he who has entered into his rest has himself also rested from his works, as Elohim did from his. 11 Let us therefore give diligence to enter into that rest, lest anyone fall after the same example of disobedience. 12 For the word of Elohim is living and active, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and is able to discern the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

13 There is no creature that is hidden from his sight, but all things are naked and laid open before the eyes of him to whom we must give an account. 14 Having then a great high priest, who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of Elohim, let us hold tightly to our confession. 15 For we don't have a high priest who

cän't be touched with the feeling of our infirmities, but one who has been in all points tempted like we are, yet without sin. 16 Let us therefore draw near with boldness to the throne of grace, that we may receive mêrcy, and may find grace for help in time of need.

Hebrews 5

For every high priest, being taken from among men, is appointed for men in things pertaining to Elohim, that he may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins. 2 The high priest can deal gently with those who are ignorant and going astray, because he himself is also surrounded with weakness. 3 Because of this, he must offer sacrifices for sins for the people, as well as for himself. 4 Nobody takes this honor on himself, but he is called by Elohim, just like Aaron was. 5 So also Christ didn't glorify himself to be made a high priest, but it was he (the Lord YAHWEH) who said to him,

"You are my Son. Today I have become your fäther."

6 As he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek."

7 He, in the days of his flesh, having offered up prayers and petitions with strong crying and tears to him who was able to save him from death, and having been heard for his godly fear, 8 though he was a Son, yet learned obedience by the things which he suffered. 9 Having been made perfect, he became to all of those who obey him the author of eternal salvation, 10 named by Elohim a high priest after the order of Melchizedek. 11 About him we have many words to say, and hard to interpret, seeing you have become dull of hearing. 12 For although by this time you should be teachers, you again need to have someone teach you the rudiments of the first principles of the revelations of Elohim. You have come to need milk, and not solid feed. 13 For everyone who lives on milk is not experienced in the word of righteousness, for he is a baby. 14 But solid feed is for those who are full grown, who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern good and evil.

Hebrews 6

Therefore leaving the teaching of the first principles of Christ, let us press on to perfection—not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works, of faith toward Elohim, 2 of the teaching of baptisms, of laying on of hands, of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment. 3 This will we do, if the Lord YAHWEH permits. 4 For concerning those who were once enlightened and tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Spirit, 5 and tasted the good word of Elohim, and the powers of the age to come, 6 and then fell away, it is impossible to renew them again to repentance; seeing they crucify the Son of Elohim for themselves again, and put him to open shame. 7 For the land which has drunk the

rain that comes often on it, and produces a crop suitable for them for whose sake it is also tilled, receives blessing from **Elohim**; 8 but if it bears thorns and thistles, it is rejected and near being cursed, whose end is to be burned.

9 But, beloved, we are persuaded of better things for you, and things that accompany salvation, even though we speak like this. 10 For Elohim is not unrighteous, so as to forget your work and the labor of love which you showed toward his name, in that you sêrved the saints, and still de sêrve them. 11 We desire that each one of you may show the same diligence to the fullness of hope even to the end, 12 that you won't be sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherited the promises. 13 For when **Elohim** made a promise to **A**braham, since he could swear by no one greater, he swore by himself, 14 saying, "Surely blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply you." 15 **Th**us, having patiently endured, he obtained the promise. 16 For men indeed swear by a greater one, and in every dispute of theirs the oath is final for confirmation. 17 In this way Elohim, being determined to show more abundantly to the heirs of the promise the immutability of his counsel, interposed with an oath; 18 that by two immutable things, in which it is impossible for **Elohim** to lie, we may have a strong encouragement, who have fled for refuge to take hold of the hope set before us. 19 This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, a hope both sure and steadfäst and entering into that which is within the veil; 20 where as a forerunner Jeşuş entered for us, having become a high priest forever äfter the order of Melchizedek.

Hebrews 7

For this Melchizedek, king of Salem, priest of Elohim Most High, who met Abraham retûrning from the slåughter of the kings and blessed him, 2 to whom ålso Abraham divided a tenth part of all (being first, by interpretation, king of righteousness, and then also king of Salem, which is king of peace; 3 without father, without mother, without genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life, but made like the Son of Elohim, remains a priest continually. 4 New Consider how great this man was, to whom even Abraham, the patriarch, gave a tenth out of the best plunder. 5 They indeed of the sons of Levi who receive the priest's office have a commandment to take tithes of the people according to the Torah, that is, of their brothers, though these have come out of the body of Abraham, 6 but he whose genealogy is not counted from them has accepted tithes from Abraham, and has blessed him who has the promises. 7 But without any dispute the lesser is blessed by the greater. 8 Here people who die receive tithes, but there one receives tithes of whom it is testified that he lives. 9 We can say that through Abraham even Levi, who receives tithes, has paid tithes, 10 for he was yet in the body of his father when Melchizedek met him. 11 New if there were perfection through the Levitical priesthood (for under it the people have received the Torah), what Further need was there for another priest to arise after the order of Melchizedek, and not be called after the order of Aaron? 12 For the priesthood being changed, there is of necessity a change made also in the Torah. 13 For he of whom these things are said belongs

to another tribe, from which no one has officiated at the altar. 14 For it is evident that our Lord has sprung out of Judah, about which tribe Moses spoke nothing concerning priesthood. 15 This is yet more abundantly evident, if after the likeness of Melchizedek there arises another priest, 16 who has been made, not after the Torah of a fleshly commandment, but after the power of an endless life: 17 for it is testified.

"You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

18 For there is an annulling of a foregoing commandment because of its weakness and uselessness 19 (for the Torah made nothing perfect), and a bringing in of a better hope, through which we draw near to Elohim. 20 Inasmuch as he was not made priest without the taking of an oath 21 (for they indeed have been made priests without an oath), but he with an oath by him that says of him,

"The Lord YAHWEH swore and will not change his mind, 'You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

22 By so much, Jeşuş haş become the collateral of a better covenant. 23 Many, indeed, have been made priests, becauşe they are hindered from continuing by death. 24 But he, becauşe he liveş forever, haş his priesthood unchangeable. 25 Therefore he is also able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to Elohim through him, seeing that he liveş forever to make intercession for them.

26 For such a high priest was fitting for us: holy, guiltless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and made higher than the heavens; 27 who doesn't need, like those high priests, to offer up sacrifices daily, first for his own sins, and then for the sins of the people. For he did this once for all, when he offered up himself. 28 For the Torah appoints men as high priests who have weakness, but the word of the oath which came after the Torah appoints a Son forever who has been perfected.

Hebrews 8

Now in the things which we are saying, the main point is this. We have such a high priest, who sat down on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens, 2 a servant of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, not man. 3 For every high priest is appointed to offer both gifts and sacrifices. Therefore it is necessary that this high priest also have something to offer. 4 For if he were on earth, he would not be a priest at all, seeing there are priests who offer the gifts according to the Torah; 5 who serve a copy and shadow of the heavenly things, even as Moses was warned by Elohim when he was about to make the tabernacle, for he said, "See, you shall make everything according to the pattern that was shown to you on the mountain." 6 But now he has obtained a more excellent ministry, by so much as he is also the mediator of a better covenant, which on better promises has been given as law. 7 For if that first covenant had been faultless,

then no plaçe would have been sought for a second. 8 For finding fault with them, he said, "Behold, the days come", says the Lord YAHWEH, "that 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 that I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; for they didn't continue in my covenant, and I disregarded them," says the Lord YAHWEH.10 "For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel. After those days," says the Lord YAHWEH; "I will put my Torah into their mind, I will also write them on their heart. I will be their Elohim, and they will be my people.11 They will not teach every man his fellow citizen, and every man his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord YAHWEH, for all will know me, from their least to their greatest.12 For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness. I will remember their sins and lawless deeds no more."

13 In **th**at he says, "A new covenant", he has made the first old. But **th**at which is becoming old and grows aged is near to vanishing away.

Hebrews 9

Now indeed even the first covenant had ordinances of divine service, and an earthly sanctuary. 2 For a tabernacle was prepared. In the first part were the lamp stand, the table, and the show bread; which is called the Holy Place. 3 After the second veil was the tabernacle which is called the Holy of Holies, 4 having a golden altar of incense, and the ark of the covenant overlaid on all sides with gold, in which was a golden pot holding the manna, Aaron's rod that budded, and the tablets of the covenant; 5 and above it cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy seat, of which things we can't speak now in detail. 6 Now these things having been thus prepared, the priests go in continually into the first tabernacle, accomplishing the sêrviçeş, 7 but into the second the high priest alone, onçe in the year, not without blood, which he offers for himself, and for the errors of the people. 8 The Holy Spirit is indicating this, that the way into the Holy Place wasn't yet revealed while the first tabernacle was still standing; 9 which is a symbol of the present age, where gifts and sacrifices are offered that are incapable, concerning the conscience, of making the wôrshiper pêrfect; 10 being only (with meats and drinks and various washings) fleshly ordinances, imposed until a time of reformation. 11 But Christ having come as a high priest of the coming good things, through the greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this creation, 12 nor yet through the blood of goats and canes, but through his own blood, entered in once for åll into the Holy Place, having obtained eternal redemption. 13 For if the blood of goats and bulls, and the ashes of a heifer sprinkling those who have been defiled, sanctify to the cleanness of the flesh: 14 how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without defect to Elohim, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living Elohim? 15 For this reason he is the mediator of a new covenant, since a death has occurred for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first covenant, that those who have been

cålled may reçeive the promise of the etêrnal inheritançe. 16 For where a läst will and testament is, there must of necessity be the death of him who made it. 17 For a will is in förçe where there has been death, for it is never in förçe while he who made it lives. 18 Thereföre even the first covenant has not been dedicated without blood. 19 For when every commandment had been spoken by Moses to åll the people according to the Torah, he took the blood of the cäves and the goats, with water and scärlet wool and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book itself and åll the people, 20 saying, "This is the blood of the covenant which Elohim has commanded you."

21 Moreover he sprinkled the tabernacle and all the vessels of the ministry in the same way with the blood. 22 According to the Torah, nearly everything is cleansed with blood, and apart from shedding of blood there is no remission. 23 lt was necessary therefore that the copies of the things in the heavens should be cleansed with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. 24 For Christ hasn't entered into holy places made with hands, which are representations of the true, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of **Elohim** for us; 25 nor yet **th**at he **sh**o**u**/d offer himself often, as the high priest enterş into the holy place year by year with blood not his own, 26 or else he must have suffered often since the foundation of the world. But now once at the end of the ageş, he haş been revealed to put away sin the sacrif**iç**e himself. 27 Inaşmuch as it is appointed for men to die onçe, and äfter this, judgment, 28 so Christ ålso, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, without sin, to those who are eagerly waiting for him for salvation.

Hebrews 10

For the Torah, having a shadow of the good to come, not the very image of the things, can never with the same sacrifices year by year, which they offer continually, make perfect those who draw near. 2 Or else wouldn't they have ceased to be offered, because the worshipers, having been once cleansed, would have had no more consciousness of sins? 3 But in those sacrifices there is a yearly reminder of sins. 4 For it is impossible that the blood of bulls and goats should take away sins. 5 Therefore when he comes into the world, he says, "Sacrifice and offering you didn't desire, but you prepared a body for me.6 You had no pleasure in whole burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin.7 Then I said, 'Behold, I have come (in the scroll of the book it is written of me) to de your will, O Elohim."

8 Previously saying, "Sacrifices and offerings and whole burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin you didn't desire, neither had pleasure in them" (those which are offered according to the Torah), 9 then he has said, "Behold, I have come to do your will." He takes away the first, that he may establish the second, 10 by which will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. 11 Every priest indeed stands day by day serving and often offering the same

sacrifices, which can never take away sins, 12 but he, when he had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down on the right hand of **Elohim**; 13 from **th**at time waiting until his enemies are made the footstool of his feet. 14 For by one offering he has perfected forever **those** who are being sanctified. 15 The Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

16 "This is the covenant that I will make with them: 'After those days, says the Lord YAHWEH,'I will put my laws on their heart, I will also write them on their mind;" then he says,

17 "I will remember their sins and their iniquities no more."

18 New where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin. 19 Having therefore, brothers, boldness to enter into the holy place by the blood of Jesus, 20 by the way which he dedicated for us, a new and living way, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh; 21 and having a great priest over Elohim's house, 22 let's draw near with a true heart in fullness of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and having our body washed with pure water, 23 let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering; for he who promised is faithful.

24 Let us Consider how to provoke one another to love and good works, 25 not forsaking our own assembling together, as the custom of some is, but exhorting one another; and so much the more, as you see the day approaching. 26 For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remains no more a sacrifice for sins, 27 but a cêrtain fearful expectation of judgment, and a fierceness of fire which will devour the adversaries. 28 A man who disregards Moses' Torah dies without compassion on the word of two or three witnesses. 29 How much wôrse punishment de you think he will be judged wôrthy of whe has trodden under foot the Son of Elohim, and has counted the blood of the covenant with which he was sanctified an unholy **th**ing, and has insulted the Spirit of grace? 30 For we know him who said, "Vengeance belongs to me," says the Lord, "I will repay." Again, "The Lord YAHWEH will judge his people." 31 It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living **Elohim**. 32 But remember the former days, in which, after you were enlightened, you endured a great struggle with sufferings; 33 partly, being exposed to both reproaches and oppressions; and partly, becoming partakers with those who were treated so. 34 For you both had compassion on me in my chains, and joyfully accepted the plundering of your possessions, knowing that you have for yourselves a better possession and an enduring one in the heavens. 35 Therefore don't **th**row away your boldness, which has a great reward. 36 For you need endurance so that, having done the will of **Elohim**, you may receive the promise.

37 "In a very little while, he who comes will come, and will not wait.38 But the righteous will live by faith. If he shrinks back, my soul has no pleasure in him."

39 But we are not of **those** who shrink back to destruction, but of **those** who have faith to the saving of the soul.

Hebrews 11

New faith is assurance of things hoped for, preef of things not seen. 2 For by this, the elders obtained testimony. 3 By faith, we understand that the universe has been framed by the word of Elohim, so that what is seen has not been made out of things which are visible. 4 By faith, Abel offered to Elohim a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, through which he had testimony given to him that he was righteous, **Elohim** testifying with respect to his gifts; and through it he, being dead, still speaks. 5 By faith, Enoch was taken away, so that he wouldn't see death, and he was not found, becauşe **Elohim** tranşlated him. For he haş had testimony given to him that before his translation he had been well pleasing to Elohim. 6 Without faith it is impossible to be well pleasing to him, for he who comes to Elohim must believe that he exists, and that he is a rewårder of those whe seek him. 7 By faith, Noah, being warned about things not yet seen, moved with godly fear, prepared a ship for the saving of his house, through which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith. 8 By faith, Abraham, when he was called, obeyed to go out to the place which he was to receive for an inheritance. He went out, not knowing where he went. 9 By faith, he lived as an alien in the land of promise, as in a land not his own, dwelling in tents, with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise. 10 For he looked for the city which has the foundations, whose builder and maker is Elohim. 11 By faith, even Sarah hêrself reçeived power to conçeive, and she bore a child when she was päst age, since she counted him faithful who had promised. 12 Therefore as many as the stärs of the sky in multitude, and innumerable as the sand which is by the sea shore, were fathered by one man, and him as good as dead. 13 These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them and embraced them from afar, and having confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. 14 For those who say such things make it clear that they are seeking a country of their own. 15 If indeed they had been thinking of that country from which they went out, they would have had enough time to return. 16 But now they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore Elohim is not ashamed of them, to be called their Elohim, for he has prepared a city for them.17 By faith, Abraham, being tested, offered up Isaac. Yes, he who had gladly received the promises was offering up his one and only son; 18 even he to whom it was said, "your offspring will be accounted as from Isaac"; 19 concluding that **Elohim** is able to raise up even from the dead. Figuratively speaking, he also did reçeive him back from the dead. 20 By faith, Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau, even conçêrning things to come. 21 By faith, Jacob, when he was dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, and worshiped, leaning on the top of his stäff. 22 By faith, Joseph, when his end was near, made mention of the departure of the children of Işrael; and gave instructions concerning his bones. 23 By faith, Moses, when he

was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that he was a beautiful child, and they were not afraid of the king's commandment. 24 By faith, Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's dåughter, 25 cheeşing räther to share ill treatment with Elohim's people, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a time; 26 accounting the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt; for he looked to the reward. 27 By faith, he left **Eg**ypt, not fearing the wräth of the king; for he endured, as seeing him who is invişible. 28 By faith, he kept the Pässover, and the sprinkling of the blood, that the destroyer of the firstborn should not touch them. 29 By faith, they passed through the Red Sea as on dry land. When the Egyptians tried to de so, they were swallowed up. 30 By faith, the walls of Jericho fell down, after they had been encircled for seven days. 31 By faith, Rahab the prostitute, didn't perish with those who were disobedient, having received the spies in peace. 32 What more shall I say? For the time would fail me if I told of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, David, Samuel, and the prophets; 33 who, through faith subdued kingdoms, worked out righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, 34 quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, from weakness were made strong, grew mighty in war, and caused foreign armies to flee. 35 Women received their dead by resurrection. others were tortured, not accepting their deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. 36 others were tried by mocking and scourging, yes, moreover by bonds and imprisonment. 37 They were stoned. They were sawn apart. They were tempted. They were slain with the sword. They went around in sheep skins and in goat skins; being destitute, afflicted, ill-treated 38 (of whom the world was not wôrthy), wandering in deserts, mountains, caves, and the holes of the êarth. 39 These all, having had testimony given to them through their faith, didn't reçeive the promise, 40 Elohim having provided some better thing conçerning us, so that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

Hebrews 12

Therefore let us also, seeing we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, lay aside every weight and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, 2 looking to Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising its shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of Elohim. 3 For Consider him who has endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, that you don't grow weary, fainting in your souls. 4 You have not yet resisted to blood, striving against sin; 5 and you have forgotten the exhortation which reasons with you as with children,

"My son, don't take lightly the chastening of the Lord YAHWEH, nor faint when you are repreved by him;6 For whom the Lord YAHWEH loves, he chastens, and scoûrges every son whom he receives."7 It is for discipline that you endure. Elohim deals with you as with children, for what son is there whom his father

doeşn't discipline? 8 But if you are without discipline, of which all have been made pärtakerş, then are you illegitimate, and not children. 9 Fûrthermôre, we had the fäthers of our flesh to chasten us, and we paid them respect. Shall we not much räther be in subjection to the Fäther of spirits, and live? 10 For they indeed, for a few days, punished us as seemed good to them; but he for our profit, that we may be pärtakers of his holiness. 11 All chastening seems for the present to be not joyous but grievous; yet afterward it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been exercised thereby. 12 Therefore lift up the hands that hang down and the feeble knees, 13 and make straight päths for your feet, so that which is lame may not be dislocated, but räther be healed. 14 Follow äfter peace with åll men, and the sanctification without which no man will see the Lord, 15 looking carefully lest there be any man who falls short of the grace of Elohim God; lest any reet of bitterness springing up trouble you, and many be defiled by it; 16 lest there be any sexually immoral person, or profane person, like Esau, who sold his birthright for one meal. 17 For you know that even when he afterward desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no place for a change of mind though he sought it diligently with tears. 18 For you have not come to a mountain that might be touched, and that bûrned with fire, and to blackness, därkness, storm, 19 the sound of a trumpet, and the voice of words; which those who heard it begged that not one more wôrd shoù/d be spoken to them, 20 for they coù/d not stand that which was commanded, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned"; 21 and so fearful was the appearance that Moses said, "I am terrified and trembling."

22 But you have come to Mount Zion, and to the city of the living **Elohim**, the heavenly Jeruşalem, and to innumerable multitudes of angels, 23 to the generalassembly and assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, to **Elohim** the Judge of all, to the spirits of just men made perfect, 24 to Jeşuş, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better than that of Abel.

25 See that you don't refuse him who speaks. For if they didn't escape when they refused him who warned on the earth, how much more will we not escape who turn away from him who warns from heaven, 26 whose voice shook the earth then, but now he has promised, saying, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth, but also the heavens." 27 This phrase, "Yet once more", signifies the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that have been made, that those things which are not shaken may remain. 28 Therefore, receiving a Kingdom that can't be shaken, let us have grace, through which we serve Elohim acceptably, with reverence and awe, 29 for our Elohim is a consuming fire.

Hebrews 13

Let brotherly love continue. 2 Don't forget to show hospitality to strangers, for in deing so, some have entertained angels without knowing it. 3 Remember those whe are in bonds, as bound with them; and those whe are ill-treated, since you are also

in the body. 4 Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the bed be undefiled: but **Elohim** will judge the sexually immoral and adulterers.

5 Be free from the love of money, content with such things as you have, for the Lord YAHWEH has said, "I will in no way leave you, neither will I in any way forsake you." 6 So that with good courage we say,

"The Lord is my helper. I will not fear. What can man de to me?"

7 Remember your leaders, men who spoke to you the word of **Elohim**, and considering the results of **their** conduct, imitate **their** fai**th**. 8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. 9 Don't be carried away by various and strange teachings, for it is good that the heart be established by grace, not by food, through which those who were so occupied were not benefited.

10 We have an altar from which those who serve the holy tabernacle have no right to eat. 11 For the bodies of those animals, whose blood is brought into the holy place by the high priest as an offering for sin, are burned outside of the camp. 12 Therefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people through his own blood, suffered outside of the gate. 13 Let us therefore go out to him outside of the camp, bearing his reproach. 14 For we don't have here an enduring city, but we seek that which is to come. 15 through him, then, let us offer up a sacrifice of praise to Elohim continually, that is, the fruit of lips which proclaim allegiance to his name. 16 But don't forget to be doing good and sharing, for with such sacrifices Elohim is well pleased.

17 Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they watch on behalf of your souls, as those who will give account, that they may do this with joy, and not with grouning, for that would be unprofitable for you.

18 Pray for us, for we are persuaded that we have a good conscience, desiring to live honorably in all things. 19 I strongly urge you to de this, that I may be restored to you seener.

20 New may the **Elohim** of peaçe, who brought again from the dead the great shepherd of the sheep with the blood of an eternal covenant, our Lord Jeşuş, 21 make you complete in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight, through Jeşuş Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen. 22 But I exhort you, brothers, endure the word of exhortation, for I have written to you in few words. 23 Know that our brother Timothy has been freed, with whom, if he comes shortly, I will see you. 24 Greet all of your leaders and all the saints. The Italians greet you. 25 Graçe be with you all. Amen.

JAMES

James 1

Jameş, a sêrvant of **Elohim** and of the Lord Jeşuş Christ, to the twelve tribeş which are in the Dispêrsion: Greetingş. 2 Count it all joy, my brothers, when you fall into

various temptations, 3 knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. 4 Let endurance have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing. 5 But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of Elohim, who gives to all liberally and without reproach; and it will be given to him. 6 But let him ask in faith, without any doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea, driven by the wind and tossed. 7 For let that man not think that he will receive anything from the Lord YAHWEH. 8 He is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

9 But let the brother in humble cîrcumstances glory in his high position; 10 and the rich, in that he is made humble, because like the flower in the grass, he will pass away. 11 For the sun arises with the scorching wind, and withers the grass, and the flower in it falls, and the beauty of its appearance perishes. So also will the rich man fade away in his pursuits. 12 Blessed is the man who endures temptation, for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life, which the Lord promised to those who love him.

13 Let no man say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by **Elohim**," for **Elohim** cän't be tempted by **e**vil, and he himself tempts no one. 14 But **e**a**ch** one is tempted when he is dråwn away by his own lust, and enti**c**e**d**. 15 **Th**en the lust, when it has conceived, bears sin; and the sin, when it is full grown, produces death. 16 Don't be deceived, my beloved brothers. 17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Fäther of lights, with whom can be no variation, nor turning shadow. 18 Of his own will he gave birth to us by the word of truth, that we shoùld be a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

19 So, **th**en, my beloved brothers, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, and slow to anger; 20 for the anger of man doesn't produce the righteousness of **Elohim**. 21 **Th**erefore, putting away all filthiness and overflowing of wickedness, receive with humility the implanted word, which is able to save your souls. 22 But be doers of the word, and not only hearers, deluding your own selves. 23 For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man looking at his natural face in a mirror; 24 for he sees himself, and goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was. 25 But he who looks into the perfect Torah of freedom, and continues, not being a hearer who forgets, but a doer of the work, this man will be blessed in what he does.

26 If anyone among you **th**inks himself to be religious while he doesn't bridle his tongue, but deceives his heart, this man's religion is worthless. 27 Pure religion and undefiled before our **Elohim** and Father is this: to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

James 2

My brothers, don't hold the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ of glory with partiality. 2 For if a man with a gold ring, in fine clothing, comes into your

synagogue, and a poor man in filthy clothing also comes in; 3 and you pay special attention to him who wears the fine clothing, and say, "Sit here in a good place"; and you tell the poor man, "Stand there," or "Sit by my footsteel"; 4 haven't you shown pärtiality among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? 5 Listen, my beloved brothers. Didn't Elohim cheese those whe are poor in this world to be rich in faith, and heirs of the Kingdom which he promised to those who love him? 6 But you have dishonored the poor man. Don't the rich oppress you, and pêrsonally drag you before the courts? 7 Don't they blaspheme the honorable name by which you are called? 8 However, if you fulfill the royal Torah, according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you do well. 9 But if you show pärtiality, you commit sin, being convicted by the Torah as transgressors. 10 For wheever keeps the whole Torah, and yet stumbles in one point, he has become guilty of åll. 11 For he whe said, "De not commit adultery," ålso said, "De not commit mûrder." Now if you do not commit adultery, but mûrder, you have become a tranşgressor of the Torah. 12 So speak, and so do, as men who are to be judged by a Torah of freedom. 13 For judgment is without mêrçy to him who has shown no mêrçy. Mêrçy triumphs over judgment.

14 What good is it, my brothers, if a man says he has faith, but has no works? Can faith save him? 15 And if a brother or sister is naked and in lack of daily feed, 16 and one of you tells them, "Go in peaçe, be warmed and filled"; and yet you didn't give them the things the body needs, what good is it? 17 Even so faith, if it has no works, is dead in itself. 18 Yes, a man will say, "You have faith, and I have works." Show me your faith without works, and I by my works will show you my faith.

19 You believe that **Elohim** is one. You do well. The domons also believe, and shudder. 20 But do you want to know, vain man, that faith apart from works is dead? 21 Wasn't Abraham our father justified by works, in that he offered up Isaac his son on the altar? 22 You see that faith worked with his works, and by works faith was porfected; 23 and the Scripture was fulfilled which says, "Abraham believed **Elohim**, and it was accounted to him as righteousness"; and he was called the friend of **Elohim**. 24 You see then that by works, a man is justified, and not only by faith. 25 In the same way, wasn't Rahab the prostitute also justified by works, in that she received the messengers, and sent them out another way? 26 For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, even so faith apart from works is dead.

James 3

Let not many of you be teachers, my brothers, knowing that we will receive heavier judgment. 2 For in many things we all stumble. If anyone doesn't stumble in word, the same is a perfect man, able to bridle the whole body also. 3 Indeed, we put bits into the horses' mouths so that they may obey us, and we guide their whole body. 4 Behold, the ships also, though they are so big and are driven by fierce winds, are yet guided by a very small rudder, wherever the pilot desires. 5 So the tongue is also a little member, and boasts great things. See how a small fire can

spread to a lärge forest! 6 And the tongue is a fire. The world of iniquity among our members is the tongue, which defiles the whole body, and sets on fire the course of nature, and is set on fire by Gehenna. 7 For every kind of animal, bird, creeping thing, and sea creature, is tamed, and has been tamed by mankind. 8 But nobody can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. 9 With it we bless our Lord YAHWEH and Fäther, and with it we curse men, who are made in the image of Elohim. 10 Out of the same mouth comes blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. 11 Does a spring send out from the same opening fresh and bitter water? 12 Can a fig tree, my brothers, yield olives, or a vine figs? Thus no spring yields both salt water and fresh water.

13 Whe is wise and understanding among you? Let him show by his good conduct that his deeds are done in gentleness of wisdom. 14 But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your heart, don't boast and don't lie against the truth. 15 This wisdom is not that which comes down from above, but is earthly, sensual, and demonic. 16 For where jealousy and selfish ambition are, there is confusion and every evil deed. 17 But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceful, gentle, reasonable, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. 18 Now the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

James 4

Where de wårş and fightingş among you come from? Don't they come from your pleaşureş that wår in your members? 2 You lust, and don't have. You mûrder and covet, and can't obtain. You fight and make wår. You don't have, becauşe you don't ask. 3 You ask, and don't receive, becauşe you ask with wrong motives, so that you may spend it for your pleaşures. 4 You adulterers and adulteresses, don't you know that friendship with the world is hostility toward Elohim? Wheever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of Elohim. 5 Or de you think that the Scripture says in vain, "The Spirit whe lives in us yearns jealously"? 6 But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, the Lord YAHWEH resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble." 7 Be subject therefore to Elohim. But resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8 Draw near to Elohim, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and Purify your hearts, you double-minded. 9 Lament, mourn, and weep. Let your laughter be tûrned to mourning, and your joy to gleem. 10 Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord YAHWEH, and he will exalt you.

11 Don't speak against one another, brothers. He who speaks against a brother and judges his brother, speaks against the Torah and judges the Torah. But if you judge the Torah, you are not a doer of the Torah, but a judge. 12 Only one is the lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy. But who are you to judge another?

13 Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow let's go into this city, and spend a year there, trade, and make a profit." 14 Whereas you don't know what your life will

be like tomorrow. For what is your life? For you are a vapor, that appears for a little time, and then vanishes away. 15 For you ought to say, "If the Lord YAHWEH wills, we will both live, and de this or that." 16 But new you glory in your boasting. all such boasting is evil. 17 To him therefore whe knows to de good, and doesn't de it, to him it is sin.

James 5

Come now, you rich, weep and howl for your miseries that are coming on you. 2 Your riches are corrupted and your garments are moth-eaten. 3 Your gold and your silver are corroded, and their corrosion will be for a testimony against you, and will eat your flesh like fire. You have laid up your treasure in the last days. 4 Behold, the wages of the laborers who mowed your fields, which you have kept back by fraud, cry out, and the cries of those who reaped have entered into the ears of the Lord YAHWEH of armies. 5 You have lived delicately on the earth, and taken your pleasure. You have nourished your hearts as in a day of slaughter. 6 You have condemned, you have murdered the righteous one. He doesn't resist you.

7 Be patient **therefore**, brothers, until the coming of the Lord **YAHWEH**. Behold, the färmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient over it, until it receives the early and late rain. 8 You also be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand.

9 Don't grumble, brothers, against one another, so that you won't be judged. Behold, the judge stands at the door. 10 Take, brothers, for an example of suffering and of patience, the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord YAHWEH. 11 Behold, we call them blessed who endured. You have heard of the patience of Job, and have seen the Lord YAHWEH in the outcome, and how the Lord YAHWEH is full of compassion and mercy. 12 But above all things, my brothers, don't swear— not by heaven, or by the earth, or by any other oath; but let your "yes" be "yes", and your "no", "no"; so that you don't fall into hypocrisy.

13 Is any among you suffering? Let him pray. Is any cheerful? Let him sing praises, 14 Is any among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the assembly, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord, 15 and the prayer of faith will heal him who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. If he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. 16 Confess your offenses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The insistent prayer of a righteous person is powerfully effective. 17 Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain, and it didn't rain on the earth for three years and six months. 18 He prayed again, and the sky gave rain, and the earth produced its fruit.

19 Br**oth**er**ş**, if any among you wander**ş** from the truth and someone turn**ş** him back, 20 let him know that he who turn**ş** a sinner from the error of his way will save a soul from death and will cover a multitude of sin**ş**.

1 PETER

1 Peter 1

Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the chosen ones who are living as foreigners, in the Dispêrsión in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Aşia, and Bitthynia, 2 accórding to the foreknowledge of Elohim the Fäther, in sanctification of the Spirit, that you may obey Jeşuş Christ and be sprinkled with his blood: Graçe to you and peaçe be multiplied. 3 Blessed be the **Elohim** and Fäther of our Lord Jeşuş Christ, who according to his great mêrçy became our father again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 to an incorruptible and undefiled inheritance that doesn't fade away, reserved in Heaven for you, 5 who by the power of **Elohim** are guärded **th**rough fai**th** for a salvation ready to be revealed in the läst time. 6 Wherein you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been put to grief in various trials, 7 that the preef of your faith, which is more precious than gold that perishes even though it is tested by fire, may be found to result in praise, glory, and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ—8 whom not having known you love; in whom, though now you don't see him, yet believing, you rejoice greatly with joy unspeakable and full of glory—9 receiving the result of your faith, the salvation of your souls. 10 Conçerning this salvation, the prophets sought and searched diligently, who prophesied that would come to of the graçe you, 11 searching for whe or what kind of time the Spirit of Christ, which was in them, pointed to, when he predicted the sufferings of Christ, and the glories that would follow them. 12 To them it was revealed, that not to themselves, but to you, they ministered these things, which now have been announced to you through those who preached the Good News to you by the Holy Spirit sent out from heaven; which things angels desire to look into 13 Therefore prepare your minds for action, be sober, and set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ— 14 as children of obedience, not conforming yourselves according to your former lusts as in your ignorance, 15 but just as he who called you is holy, you yourselves also be holy in all of your behavior; 16 because it is written, "You shall be holy; for I am holy." 17 If you call on him as Father, who without respect of persons judgeş according to each man'ş work, pass the time of your living as foreigners, here in reverent fear: 18 knowing that you were redeemed, not with corruptible things, with silver or gold, from the useless way of life handed down from your fäthers, 19 but with precious blood, as of a faultless and pure lamb, the blood of Christ; 20 who was foreknown indeed before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of times for your sake, 21 who through him are believers in Elohim, who raised him from the dead, and gave him glory; so that your faith and hope might be in **Elohim**.

22 Seeing you have purified your souls in your obedience to the truth through the Spirit in sincere brotherly affection, love one another from the heart fervently: 23 having been born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, through the word of Elohim, which lives and remains forever. 24 For, "all flesh is like

gräss, and åll of man's glory like the flower in the gräss. The gräss withers, and its flower fålls;25 but the Lord's word endures forever."

This is the word of Good News which was preached to you.

1 Peter 2

Putting away therefore all wickedness, all deceit, hypocrisies, envies, and all evil speaking, 2 as newborn babies, long for the pure milk of the Word, that with it you may grow, 3 if indeed you have tasted that the Lord YAHWEH is gracious: 4 coming to him, a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by Elohim, precious. 5 You also, as living stones, are built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to Elohim through Jesus Christ. 6 Because it is contained in Scripture,

"Behold, I lay in Zion a **chief** cornerstone, **choş**en, and preçious: He who believes in him will not be disappointed."

7 For you who believe therefore is the honor, but for those who are disobedient,

"The stone which the builders rejected, has become the chief cornerstone,"

8 and, "a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense."

For they stumble at the word, being disobedient, to which also they were appointed. 9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for Elohim's own possession, that you may proclaim the excellence of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light: 10 who in time past were no people, but now are Elohim's people, who had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy. 11 Beloved, I beg you as foreigners, and pilgrims, to abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; 12 having good behavior among the nations, so in that of which they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works, which they see, glorify Elohim in the day of visitation. 13 Therefore subject yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether to the king, as supreme; 14 or to governors, as sent by him for vengeance on evildoers and for praise to those who do well. 15 For this is the will of Elohim, that by well-doing you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish men: 16 as free, and not using your freedom for a clock of wickedness, but as bondservants of Elohim.

17 Honor åll men. Love the brotherhood. Fear Elohim. Honor the king. 18 Sêrvants, be in subjection to your mästers with åll fear; not only to the good and gentle, but ålso to the wicked. 19 For it is commendable if someone endures pain, suffering unjustly, because of conscience toward Elohim. 20 For what glory is it if, when you sin, you patiently endure beating? But if, when you do well, you patiently endure suffering, this is commendable with Elohim God. 21 For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving you an example, that you should follow his steps, 22 who did not sin, "neither was deceit found in his mouth." 23 Who, when

he was cûrsed, didn't cûrse back. When he suffered, didn't threaten, but committed himself to him who judges righteously; 24 who his own self bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live to righteousness; by whose stripes you were healed. 25 For you were going astray like sheep; but now have retûrned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

1 Peter 3

In the same way, wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; so that, even if any don't obey the Word, they may be won by the behavior of their wives without a word; 2 seeing your pure behavior in fear. 3 Let your beauty be not just the outward adorning of braiding the hair, and of wearing jewels of gold, or of putting on fine clothing; 4 but in the hidden person of the heart, in the incorruptible adornment of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of Elohim very precious. 5 For this is how the holy women before, who hoped in Elohim also adorned themselves, being in subjection to their own husbands: 6 as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord, whose children you now are, if you do well, and are not put in fear by any terror.

7 You huşbandş, in the same way, live with your wiveş according to knowledge, giving honor to the woman, as to the weaker vessel, as being also joint heirş of the graçe of life; that your prayerş may not be hindered.

8 Finally, be **å**ll like-minded, compassionate, loving as brothers, tender heärted, coûrteous, 9 not rendering evil for evil, or insult for insult; but instead blessing; knowing that to this were you called, that you may inherit a blessing. 10 For, "He who would love life, and see good days, let him keep his tongue from evil, and his lips from speaking deceit.11 Let him tûrn away from evil, and do good. Let him seek peace, and pûrsue it.12 For the eyes of the Lord YAHWEH are on the righteous, and his ears open to their prayer; but the face of the Lord YAHWEH is against those who do evil."

13 New whe is he whe will härm you, if you become imitators of that which is good? 14 But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you are blessed. "Don't fear what they fear, neither be troubled." 15 But sanctify the Lord YAHWEH in your heärts; and always be ready to give an answer to everyone whe asks you a reason concerning the hope that is in you, with humility and fear: 16 having a good conscience; that, while you are spoken against as evildeers, they may be disappointed whe curse your good way of life in Christ. 17 For it is better, if it is Elohim's will, that you suffer for deing well than for deing evil. 18 Because Christ also suffered for sins once, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring you to God; being put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit; 19 in which he also went and preached to the spirits in prison, 20 whe before were disobedient, when Elohim waited patiently in the days of Noah, while the ship was being built. In it, few, that is, eight souls, were saved through water. 21 This is a symbol of baptism, which new saves you—not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward Elohim, through the resurrection of Jesus

Christ, 22 who is at the right hand of **Elohim**, having gone into heaven, angels and au**th**orities and powers being made subject to him.

1 Peter 4

Therefore, since Christ suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves also with the same mind; for he who has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin; 2 that you no longer shoù/d live the rest of your time in the flesh for the lusts of men, but for the will of Elohim. 3 For we have spent enough of our past time doing the desire of the Gentiles, and having walked in lewdness, lusts, drunken binges, orgies, carousings, and abominable idolatries. 4 They think it is strange that you don't run with them into the same excess of riot, blaspheming: 5 who will give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead. 6 For to this end the Good News was preached even to the dead, that they might be judged indeed as men in the flesh, but live as to **Elohim** in the spirit. 7 But the end of **å**ll **th**ing**ş** is near. **Th**erefore be of sound mind, self-controlled, and sober in prayer. 8 And above all things be earnest in your love among yourselves, for love covers a multitude of sins. 9 Be hospitable to one another without grum-bling. 10 As each has received a gift, employ it in serving one another, as good managers of the grace of Elohim in its various forms. 11 If anyone speaks, let it be as it were the very words of **Elohim**. If anyone serves, let it be as of the strength which Elohim supplies, that in all things Elohim may be glorified **th**rough Jesus Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

12 Beloved, don't be astonished at the fiery trial which has come upon you, to test you, as though a strange thing happened to you. 13 But because you are partakers of Christ's sufferings, rejoice; that at the revelation of his glory you also may rejoice with exceeding joy. 14 If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed; because the Spirit of glory and of Elohim rests on you. On their part he is blasphemed, but on your part he is glorified. 15 For let none of you suffer as a murderer, or a thief, or an evil doer, or a meddler in other men's matters. 16 But if one of you suffers for being a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify Elohim in this matter. 17 For the time has come for judgment to begin with the household of Elohim. If it begins first with us, what will happen to those who don't obey the Good News of Elohim? 18 "If it is hard for the righteous to be saved, what will happen to the ungodly and the sinner?" 19 Therefore let them also who suffer according to the will of Elohim in doing good entrust their souls to him, as to a faithful Creator.

1 Peter 5

I exhort the elders among you, as a fellow elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and who will also share in the glory that will be revealed. 2 Shepherd the flock of **Elohim** which is among you, exerçising the oversight, not under compulsion, but voluntarily, not for dishonest gain, but willingly; 3 neither as lording it over those

entrusted to you, but making yourselves examples to the flock. 4 When the chief Shepherd is revealed, you will receive the crown of glory that doesn't fade away.

5 Likewişe, you younger oneş, be subject to the elder. Yes, åll of you clothe yourselveş with humility, to subject yourselveş to one another; for "Elohim reşists the proud, but giveş graçe to the humble." 6 Humble yourselveş therefore under the mighty hand of Elohim, that he may exalt you in due time; 7 casting all your worries on him, because he cares for you.

8 Be sober and self-controlled. Be watchful. Your adversary, the devil, walks around like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. 9 Withstand him steadfast in your faith, knowing that your brothers who are in the world are undergoing the same sufferings. 10 But may the **Elohim** of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a little while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle you. 11 To him be the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.

12 **th**rough Silvanus, our fai**th**ful brother, as I Consider him, I have written to you briefly, exhorting, and testifying that this is the true grace of **Elohim** in which you stand. 13 She who is in Babylon, chosen together with you, greets you; and so does Märk, my son. 14 Greet one another with a kiss of love. Peace be to you all who are in Christ Jesus. Amen.

2 PETER

2 Peter 1

Simon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ, to those who have obtained a like precious faith with us in the righteousness of our Elohim and Savior, Jesus Christ: 2 Graçe to you and peace be multiplied in the knowledge of Elohim and of Jeşuş our Lord, 3 seeing that his divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, **th**rough the knowledge of him whe called us by his own glory and virtue; 4 by which he has granted to us his precious and exceedingly great promises; that through these you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world by lust. 5 Yes, and for this very cåuşe adding on your pärt åll diligençe, in your faith supply moral excellence; and in moral excellence, knowledge; 6 and in knowledge, self-control; and in self-control patience; and in patience godliness; 7 and in godliness brotherly affection; and in brotherly affection, love. 8 For if these things are yours and abound, they make you to be not idle nor unfruitful to the knowledge of our Lord Jeşuş Christ. 9 For he who lacks these things is blind, seeing only what is near, having forgotten the cleansing from his old sins. 10 Therefore, brothers, be more diligent to make your calling and election sure. For if you de these things, you will never stumble. 11 For thus you will be richly supplied with the entrance into the eternal Kingdom of our Lord and Savior, Jeşuş Christ.

12 Therefore I will not be negligent to remind you of these things, though you know

them, and are established in the present truth. 13 I think it right, as long as I am in this tent, to stir you up by reminding you; 14 knowing that the putting off of my tent comes swiftly, even as our Lord Jesus Christ made clear to me. 15 Yes, I will make every effort that you may always be able to remember these things even after my departure. 16 For we did not follow cunningly devised fables, when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. 17 For he received from Elohim the Father honor and glory, when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." 18 We heard this voice come out of heaven when we were with him on the holy mountain.

19 We have the more sure word of prophecy; and you do well that you heed it, as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns, and the morning star arises in your hearts: 20 knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of private interpretation. 21 For no prophecy ever came by the will of man: but holy men of Elohim spoke, being moved by the Holy Spirit.

2 Peter 2

But fålse prophets ålso arose among the people, as fålse teachers will ålso be among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, denying even the Mäster YAHWEH who bought them, bringing on themselves swift destruction. 2 Many will follow their immoral ways, and as a reşult, the way of the truth will be maligned. 3 In covetousness they will exploit you with deceptive words: whose sentence now from of old doesn't linger, and their destruction will not slumber. 4 For if **Elohim** didn't spare angels when they sinned, but cast them down to Tartarus, and committed them to pits of därkness, to be reşêrved for judgment; 5 and didn't spare the ancient wôrld, but presêrved Noah with seven others, a preacher of righteousness, when he brought a flood on the world of the ungodly; 6 and turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes, condemned them to destruction, having made them an example to **those** who would live ungodly; 7 and delivered righteous Lot, who was very distressed by the lustful life of the wicked 8 (for that righteous man dwelling among them, was tormented in his righteous soul from day to day with seeing and hearing låwless deeds): 9 the Lord YAHWEH knows how to deliver the godly out of tempt**a**ti**o**n and to keep the unrighteous under punishment for the day of judgment; 10 but chiefly those who wa/k after the flesh in the lust of defilement, and despise authority. Daring, self-willed, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignitaries; 11 whereas angels, though greater in might and power, don't bring a railing judgment against them before the Lord. 12 But these, as unreasoning creatures, born natural animals to be taken and destroyed, speaking evil in matters about which they are ignorant, will in their destroying surely be destroyed, 13 receiving the wages of unrighteousness; people who count it pleasure to revel in the daytime, spots and defects, reveling in their deceit while they feast with you; 14 having eyes full of adultery, and who can't cease from sin; enticing unsettled souls; having a heart trained in greed; children of cursing; 15 forsaking the right way, they went astray, having followed the way of Balaam the son of Beor, who loved the wages of wrongdoing; 16 but he was rebuked for his own disobedience. A mute donkey spoke with a man's voice and stopped the madness of the prophet. 17 These are wells without water, clouds driven by a storm; for whom the blackness of därkness has been reserved forever. 18 For, uttering great swelling words of emptiness, they entice in the lusts of the flesh, by licentiousness, those who are indeed escaping from those who live in error; 19 promising them liberty, while they themselves are bondservants of corruption; for a man is brought into bondage by whoever overcomes him.

20 For if, äfter they have escaped the defilement of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in it and overcome, the läst state has become worse for them than the first. 21 For it would be better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, äfter knowing it, to turn back from the holy commandment delivered to them. 22 But it has happened to them according to the true proverb, "The dog turns to his own vomit again," and "the sow that has washed to wallowing in the mire."

2 Peter 3

This is now, beloved, the second letter that I have written to you; and in both of them I stîr up your sincere mind by reminding you; 2 that you should remember the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and the command-ments of us, the apostles of the Lord and Savior: 3 knowing this first, that in the läst days mockers will come, walking after their own lusts, 4 and saying, "Where is the promise of his coming? For, from the day that the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation." 5 For this they willfully forget, that there were heavens from of old, and an earth formed out of water and amid water, by the wôrd of Elohim; 6 by which means the wôrld that then was, being overflowed with water, perished. 7 But the heavens that new are, and the earth, by the same word have been stored up for fire, being reserved against the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men. 8 But don't forget this one thing, beloved, that one day is with the Lord YAHWEH as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. 9 The Lord YAHWEH is not slow conçerning his promise, as some count slowness; but is patient with us, not wishing that any should perish, but that all shoù/d come to repentance. 10 But the day of the Lord YAHWEH will come as a thief in the night; in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fervent heat, and the earth and the works that are in it will be bûrned up. 11 Therefore since all these things will be destroyed like this, what kind of people ought you to be in holy living and godliness, 12 looking for and êarnestly deşiring the coming of the day of Elohim, which will cause the burning heavens to be dissolved, and the elements will melt with fervent heat? 13 But,

according to his promise, we look for new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells.

14 Therefore, beloved, seeing that you look for these things, be diligent to be found in peace, without defect and blameless in his sight. 15 Regard the patience of our Lord YAHWEH as salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also, according to the wisdom given to him, wrote to you; 16 as also in all of his letters, speaking in them of these things. In those, there are some things that are hard to understand, which the ignorant and unsettled twist, as they also do to the other Scriptures, to their own destruction. 17 You therefore, beloved, knowing these things beforehand, beware, lest being carried away with the error of the wicked, you fall from your own steadfastness. 18 But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and forever. Amen

1 JOHN

1 John 1

That which was from the beginning, that which we have heard, that which we have seen with our eyes, that which we saw, and our hands touched, conçerning the Word of life. 2 (and the life was revealed, and we have seen, and testify, and declare to you the life, the eternal life, which was with the Fäther, and was revealed to us); 3 that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us. Yes, and our fellowship is with the Fäther, and with his Son, Jesus Christ. 4 And we write these things to you, that our joy may be fulfilled.

5 This is the message which we have heard from him and announce to you, that Elohim is light, and in him is no därkness at all. 6 If we say that we have fellowship with him and walk in the därkness, we lie, and don't tell the truth. 7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jeşuş Christ, his Son, cleanşeş us from all sin. 8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselveş, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sinş, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us the sinş, and to cleanşe us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say that we haven't sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

1 John 2

My little children, I write these things to you so that you may not sin. If anyone sins, we have a Counselor with the Fäther, Jesus Christ, the righteous. 2 And he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the whole world. 3 This is how we know that we know him: if we keep his commandments. 4 One who says, "I know him," and doesn't keep his commandments, is a liar, and the truth isn't in him. 5 But who ever keeps his word, Elohim's love has most certainly been perfected in him. This is how we know that we are in him: 6 he who says he remains in him ought himself also to walk just like he walked.

7 Brothers, I write no new commandment to you, but an old commandment which you had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word which you heard from the beginning. 8 Again, I write a new commandment to you, which is true in him and in you; because the darkness is passing away, and the true light already shines. 9 He who says he is in the light and hates his brother, is in the dark-ness even until now. 10 He who loves his brother remains in the light, and there is no occasion for stumbling in him. 11 But he who hates his brother is in the darkness, and walks in the darkness, and doesn't know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes.

12 I write to you, little children, becauşe your sinş are forgiven you for his name'ş sake.

13 I write to you, fäthers, because you know him who is from the beginning.

I write to you, young men, becauşe you have overcome the evil one. I write to you, little children, becauşe you know the Fäther. 14 I have written to you, fäthers, becauşe you know him who is from the beginning. I have written to you, young men, because you are strong, and the word of **Elohim** remains in you, and you have overcome the evil one.

15 Don't love the world or the things that are in the world. If anyone loves the world, the Fäther's love isn't in him. 16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, isn't the Fäther's, but is the world's. 17 The world is passing away with its lusts, but he who does Elohim's will remains forever.

18 Little **ch**ildren, **the**şe are the end timeş, and as you hêard **th**at the Antichrist is coming, **e**ven new many antichrists have arişen. By **th**is we know **th**at it is the final heur. 19 **Th**ey went out from us, but **th**ey didn't belong to us; for if **th**ey had belonged to us, **th**ey would have continued with us. But **th**ey left, **th**at **th**ey might be revealed **th**at none of **th**em belong to us. 20 You have an anointing from the Holy One, and you all have knowledge. 21 I have not written to you because you don't know the truth, but because you know it, and because no lie is of the truth. 22 Who is the liar but he who denies **th**at Jesus is the Christ? **Th**is is the Antichrist, he who denies the Fäther and the Son. 23 Whoever denies the Son, the same doesn't have the Fäther. He who confesses the Son has the Fäther also.

24 Therefore, as for you, let that remain in you which you heard from the beginning. If that which you heard from the beginning remains in you, you also will remain in the Son, and in the Fäther. 25 This is the promise which he promised us, the eternal life. 26 These things I have written to you concerning those who would lead you astray. 27 As for you, the anointing which you received from him remains in you, and you don't need for anyone to teach you. But as his anointing teaches you concerning all things, and is true, and is no lie, and even as it taught you, you will remain in him. 28 Now, little children, remain in him, that when he appears, we may have boldness, and not be ashamed before him at his coming. 29 If you know that he is righteous, you know that everyone who practices righteousness has been born of him.

1 John 3

See how great a love the Fäther has given to us, that we should be called children of Elohim! For this cause the world doesn't know us, because it didn't know him. 2 Beloved, now we are children of Elohim, and it is not yet revealed what we will be. But we know that, when he is revealed, we will be like him; for we will see him just as he is. 3 Everyone who has this hope set on him purifies himself, even as he is pure. 4 Everyone who sins also commits lawlessness. Sin is lawlessness. 5 You know that he was revealed to take away our sins, and in him is no sin. 6 Whoever remains in him doesn't sin. Whoever sins hasn't seen him and doesn't know him.

7 Little **ch**ildren, let no one **lead** you astray. He who does righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous. 8 He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. To **th**is end the Son of **Elohim** was revealed: **th**at he might destroy the works of the devil. 9 Whoever is born of **Elohim** doesn't commit sin, because his seed remains in him; and he can't sin, because he is born of **Elohim**. 10 In **th**is the **ch**ildren of **Elohim** are revealed, and the **ch**ildren of the devil. Whoever doesn't doesn't doesn't love his brother. 11 For **th**is is the message which you heard from the beginning, **th**at we should love one another; 12 unlike Cain, who was of the evil one, and killed his brother. Why did he kill him? Because his deeds were evil, and his brother's righteous. 13 Don't be surprised, my brothers, if the world hates you. 14 We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brothers. He who doesn't love his brother remains in death. 15 Whoever hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life remaining in him.

down our lives for the brothers. 17 But who ever has the world's goods, and sees his brother in need, and closes his heart of compassion against him, how does the love of Elohim remain in him? 18 My little children, let's not love in word only, or with the tongue only, but in deed and truth. 19 And by this we know that we are of the truth, and persuade our hearts before him, 20 because if our heart condemns us, Elohim is greater than our heart, and knows all things. 21 Beloved, if our hearts don't condemn us, we have boldness toward Elohim; 22 and whatever we ask, we receive from him, because we keep the (Lord YAHWEH'S) commandments and do the things that are pleasing in his sight. 23 This is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another, even as he commanded. 24 He who keeps his commandments remains in him, and he in him. By this we know that he remains in us, by the Spirit which he gave us.

1 John 4

Beloved, don't believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of **Elohim**, because many false prophets have gone out into the world. 2 By this you know the

Spirit of **Elohim**: every spirit who confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is of **Elohim**, 3 and every spirit who doesn't confess that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is not of **Elohim**, and this is the spirit of the Antichrist, of whom you have heard that it comes. Now it is in the world already. 4 You are of **Elohim**, little children, and have overcome them; because greater is he who is in you than he who is in the world. 5 They are of the world. Therefore they speak of the world, and the world hears them. 6 We are of **Elohim**. He who knows **Elohim** listens to us. He who is not of **Elohim** doesn't listen to us. By this we know the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error.

7 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of Elohim; and everyone who loves has been born of Elohim, and knows Elohim. 8 He who doesn't love doesn't know Elohim, for Elohim is love. 9 By this Elohim's love was revealed in us, that Elohim has sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. 10 In this is love, not that we loved Elohim, but that he loved us, and sent his Son as the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 11 Beloved, if Elohim loved us in this way, we also ought to love one another. 12 No one has seen Elohim at any time. If we love one another, Elohim remains in us, and his love has been perfected in us.

13 By this we know that we remain in him and he in us, becauşe he haş given us of his Spirit. 14 We have seen and testify that the Fäther has sent the Son as the Savior of the world. 15 Wheever confesses that Jeşuş is the Son of Elohim, Elohim remains in him, and he in Elohim. 16 We know and have believed the love which Elohim has for us. Elohim is love, and he whe remains in love remains in Elohim, and Elohim remains in him. 17 In this love has been made perfect among us, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment, becauşe as he is, even so are we in this world. 18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, becauşe fear has punishment. He whe fears is not made perfect in love. 19 We love him, becauşe he first loved us. 20 If a man says, "I love Elohim," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he whe doeşn't love his brother whem he has seen, how can he love Elohim whem he has not seen? 21 This commandment we have from him, that he whe loves Elohim should also love his brother.

1 John 5

wheever believes that Jeşuş is the Christ has been born of Elohim. Wheever loves the Fäther also loves the child whe is born of him. 2 By this we know that we love the children of Elohim, when we love Elohim and keep his command-ments. 3 For this is the love of Elohim, that we keep his commandments. His commandments are not grievous. 4 For whatever is born of Elohim overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world: your faith. 5 Whe is he whe overcomes the world, but he whe believes that Jeşuş is the Son of Elohim? 6 This is he whe came by water and blood, Jeşuş Christ; not with the water only, but with the water and the blood. It is the Spirit whe testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. 7 For there are three whe testify: 8 the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and the three agree as

one. 9 If we receive the witness of men, the witness of **Elohim** is greater; for **th**is is **Elohim**'s testimony which he has testified concerning his Son. 10 He who believes in the Son of **Elohim** has the testimony in himself. He who doesn't believe **Elohim** God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that **Elohim** has given concerning his Son. 11 The testimony is **th**is, **th**at **Elohim** gave to us eternal life, and **th**is life is in his Son. 12 He who has the Son has the life. He who doesn't have **Elohim**'s Son doesn't have the life. 13 **These th**ings I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of **Elohim**, **th**at you may know **th**at you have eternal life, and **th**at you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of **Elohim**.

14 This is the boldness which we have toward him, that, if we ask anything according to his will, he listens to us. 15 And if we know that he listens to us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions which we have asked of him.

16 If anyone sees his brother sinning a sin not leading to death, he shall ask, and Elohim will give him life for those who sin not leading to death. There is a sin leading to death. I don't say that he shou'd make a request conçerning this. 17 All unrighteousness is sin, and there is a sin not leading to death. 18 We know that whoever is born of Elohim doesn't sin, but he who was born of Elohim keeps himself, and the evil one doesn't touch him. 19 We know that we are of Elohim, and the whole world lies in the power of the evil one. 20 We know that the Son of Elohim has come, and has given us an understanding, that we know him who is true, and we are in him who is true, in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true Elohim, and eternal life. 21 Little children, keep yourselves from idols.

2 JOHN

2 John

1 The elder, to the **chosen lady** and her **children**, whem I love in truth; and not I only, but also all those whe know the truth; 2 for the truth's sake, which remains in us, and it will be with us forever: 3 Grace, mêrcy, and peace will be with us, from **Elohim** the Fäther, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Fäther, in truth and love.

4 I rejoiçe greatly that I have found some of your children walking in truth, even as we have been commanded by the Fäther. 5 Now I beg you, dear lady, not as though I wrote to you a new commandment, but that which we had from the beginning, that we love one another. 6 This is love, that we should walk according to his commandments. This is the commandment, even as you heard from the beginning, that you should walk in it. 7 For many deceivers have gone out into the world, those who don't confess that Jesus Christ came in the flesh. This is the deceiver and the Antichrist. 8 Watch yourselves, that we don't lose the things which we have accomplished, but that we receive a full reward. 9 Whoever transgresses and doesn't remain in the teaching of Christ, doesn't have Elohim. He who remains in the teaching, the same has both the Fäther and the Son. 10 If anyone comes to you, and

doeşn't bring this teaching, don't receive him into your house, and don't welcome him, 11 for he who welcomes him participates in his evil deeds. 12 Having many things to write to you, I don't want to do so with paper and ink, but I hope to come to you, and to speak face to face, that our joy may be made full. 13 The children of your chosen sister greet you. Amen.

3 JOHN

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1 The elder to Gaius the beloved, whem I love in truth.

2 Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be healthy, even as your soul prospers. 3 For I rejoiced greatly, when brothers came and testified about your truth, even as you walk in truth. 4 I have no greater joy than this, to hear about my children walking in truth.

5 Beloved, you do a faithful work in whatever you accomplish for those who are brothers and strangers. 6 They have testified about your love before the assembly. You will do well to send them forward on their journey in a way worthy of Elohim, 7 because for the sake of the Name (of the Lord YAHWEH) they went out, taking nothing from the Gentiles. 8 We therefore ought to receive such, that we may be fellow workers for the truth.

9 I wrote to the assembly, but Diotrephes, who loves to be first among them, doesn't accept what we say. 10 Therefore if I come, I will call attention to his deeds which he does, unjustly accusing us with wicked words. Not content with this, neither does he himself receive the brothers, and those who would, he forbids and throws out of the assembly. 11 Beloved, don't imitate that which is evil, but that which is good. He who does good is of Elohim. He who does evil hasn't seen Elohim. 12 Demetrius has the testimony of all, and of the truth itself; yes, we also testify, and you know that our testimony is true.

13 I had many **th**ings to write to you, but I am unwilling to write to you wi**th** ink and pen; 14 but I hope to see you seen, and we will speak face to face. Peace be to you. The friends greet you. Greet the friends by name.

JUDE

Jude, a sêrvant of Jeşuş Christ, and brothe of James, to those who are called, sanctified by **Elohim** the Fäther, and kept for Jeşuş Christ: 2 Mêrçy to you and peaçe and love be multiplied.

3 Beloved, while I was very eager to write to you about our common salvation, I was constrained to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints. 4 For there are certain men who crept in secretly, even those who were long ago written about for this condemnation: ungodly men,

tûrning the graçe of our **Elohim** into indeçençy, and denying our only Mäster, **Elohim**, and Lord, Jesus Christ.

5 New I desire to remind you, though you already know this, that the Lord, having saved a people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed those who didn't believe. 6 Angels who didn't keep their first domain, but desêrted their own dwelling place, he has kept in everlästing bonds under därkness for the judgment of the great day. 7 Even as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities around them, having, in the same way as these, given themselves over to sexual immorality and gone after strange flesh, are shown as an example, suffering the punishment of etêrnal fire. 8 Yet in the same way, these also in their dreaming defile the flesh, despise slander celestial beings. 9 But Michael, the ärchangel, when **å**u**th**ority, and contending with the devil and arguing about the body of Moses, dared not bring against him an abusive condemnation, but said, "May the Lord rebuke you!" 10 But these speak evil of whatever things they don't know. They are destroyed in these things that they understand naturally, like the creatures without reason. 11 Woe to them! For they went in the way of Cain, and ran riotously in the error of Balaam for hire, and perished in Korah's rebellion. 12 These are hidden rocky reefs in your love feasts when they feast with you, shepherds who without fear feed themselves; clouds without water, carried along by winds; autumn leaves without fruit, twice dead, plucked up by the reets; 13 wild waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stärs, for whom the blackness of därkness has been reserved forever. 14 About these also Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied, saying, "Behold, the Lord came with ten thousands of his holy ones, 15 to execute judgment on all, and to convict all the ungodly of all their works of ungodliness which they have done in an ungodly way, and of all the hard things which ungodly sinners have spoken against him." 16 These are mûrmurers and complainers, wå/king äfter their lusts (and their mouth speaks proud things), showing respect of persons to gain advantage.

17 But you, beloved, remember the words which have been spoken before by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ. 18 They said to you that "In the läst time there will be mockers, walking äfter their own ungodly lusts." 19 These are they who cause divisions, and are sensual, not having the Spirit. 20 But you, beloved, keep building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit. 21 Keep yourselves in the love of Elohim, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to eternal life. 22 On some have compassion, making a distinction, 23 and some save, snatching them out of the fire with fear, hating even the clothing stained by the flesh.

24 New to him whe is able to keep them from stumbling, and to preşent you faultless before the preşence of his glory in great joy, 25 to **Elohim** eur Savior, whe alone is wise, be glory and majesty, dominion and pewer, both new and forever. Amen.

REVELATION

Revelation 1

This is the Revelation of Jeşuş Christ, which Elohim gave him to show to his servants the things which must happen seen, which he sent and made known by his angel to his servant, John, 2 who testified to Elohim's word, and of the testimony of Jeşuş Christ, about everything that he saw.

3 Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of the prophecy, and keep the things that are written in it, for the time is at hand.

4 John, to the seven assemblies that are in Aşia: Graçe to you and peaçe, from Elohim, who is and who was and who is to come; and from the seven Spirits who are before his throne; 5 and from Jeşuş Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us, and washed us from our sins by his blood; 6 and he made us to be a Kingdom, priests to his Elohim and Fäther; to him be the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

7 Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, including those who pierced him. all the tribes of the earth will mourn over him. Even so, Amen.

8 "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord YAHWEH, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

9 I John, your brother and partner with you in oppression, Kingdom, and perseverance in Christ Jeşuş, was on the isle that is called Patmos becauşe of Elohim'ş Word and the testimony of Jeşuş Christ. 10 I was in the Spirit on the day of the Lord YAHWEH, and I heard behind me a loud voice, like a trumpet 11 saying, "What you see, write in a book and send to the seven assemblies: to Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Särdis, Philadelphia, and to Laodicea."

12 I tûrned to see the voice that spoke with me. Having tûrned, I såw seven golden lamp stands. 13 And among the lamp stands was one like a son of man, clothed with a robe reaching down to his feet, and with a golden sash around his chest. 14 His head and his hair were white as white wool, like snow. His eyeş were like a flame of fire. 15 His feet were like bûrnished bräss, as if it had been refined in a fûrnace. His voice was like the voice of many waters. 16 He had seven stärs in his right hand. Out of his mouth proceeded a sharp two-edged sword. His face was like the sun shining at its brightest. 17 When I saw him, I fell at his feet like a dead man.

He laid his right hand on me, saying, "Don't be afraid. I am the first and the läst, 18 and the Living one. I was dead, and behold, I am alive forever more. Amen. I have the keys of Death and of Hades. 19 Write therefore the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which will happen hereäfter; 20 the mystery of

the seven stärş which you såw in my right hand, and the seven golden lamp standş. The seven stärş are the angelş of the seven assemblieş. The seven lamp standş are seven assemblieş.

Revelation 2

"To the angel of the assembly in Ephesus write:

"He who holds the seven stärs in his right hand, he who walks among the seven golden lamp stands says these things:

2 "I know your works, and your toil and perseverance, and that you can't tolerate evil men, and have tested those who call themselves apostles, and they are not, and found them false. 3 You have perseverance and have endured for my name's sake, and have not grown weary. 4 But I have this against you, that you left your first love. 5 Remember therefore from where you have fallen, and repent and do the first works; or else I am coming to you swiftly, and will move your lamp stand out of its place, unless you repent. 6 But this you have, that you hate the works of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. 7 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies. To him who overcomes I will give to eat from the tree of life, which is in the Paradise of my Elohim.

8 "To the angel of the assembly in Smyrna write:

"The first and the läst, who was dead, and has come to life says these things:

9 "I know your works, oppression, and your poverty (but you are rich), and the blasphemy of those who say they are Jews, and they are not, but are a synagogue of Satan. 10 Don't be afraid of the things which you are about to suffer. Behold, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be tested; and you will have oppression for ten days. Be faithful to death, and I will give you the crown of life. 11 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies. He who overcomes won't be harmed by the second death.

12 "To the angel of the assembly in Pergamum write:

"He who has the sharp two-edged sword says these things:

13 "I know your works and where you dwell, where Satan's throne is. You hold firmly to my name, and didn't deny my faith in the days of Antipas my witness, my faithful one, who was killed among you, where Satan dwells. 14 But I have a few things against you, because you have there some who hold the teaching of Balaam, who taught Balak to throw a stumbling block before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed to idols, and to commit sexual immorality. 15 So you also have some who hold to the teaching of the Nicolaitans likewise. 16 Repent therefore, or else I am coming to you quickly, and I will make war against them with the sword of my mouth. 17 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies. To him who overcomes, to him I will give of the hidden manna, and I will give him

a white stone, and on the stone a new name written, which no one knows but he who receives it.

18 "To the angel of the assembly in **Th**yatira write:

"The Son of Elohim, who has his eyes like a flame of fire, and his feet are like bûrnished bräss, says these things:

19 "I know your works, your love, faith, sêrvice, patient endurance, and that your läst works are more than the first. 20 But I have this against you, that you tolerate your woman, Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess. She teaches and seduces my sêrvants to commit sexual immorality, and to eat things sacrificed to idols. 21 l gave her time to repent, but she refuses to repent of her sexual immorality. 22 Behold, I will **throw** her into a bed, and **those** who commit adultery with her into great oppression, unless they repent of her works. 23 I will kill her children with Death, and all the assemblies will know that I am he who searches the minds and hearts. I will give to each one of you according to your deeds.24 But to you I say, to the rest who are in Thyatira, as many as don't have this teaching, who don't know what some call 'the deep things of Satan, to you I say, I am not putting any other burden on you. 25 Nevertheless, hold that which you have firmly until I come. 26 He who overcomes, and he who keeps my works to the end, to him I will give authority over the nations. 27 He will rule them with a rod of iron, shattering them like clay pots; as I also have received of my Father: 28 and I will give him the morning stär. 29 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.

Revelation 3

"And to the angel of the assembly in Sardis write:

"He whe has the seven Spirits of Elohim, and the seven stars says these things:

"I know your works, that you have a reputation of being alive, but you are dead.2 Wake up, and keep the things that remain, which you were about to throw away, for I have found no works of yours perfected before my Elohim 3 Remember therefore how you have received and heard. Keep it, and repent. If therefore you won't watch, I will come as a thief, and you won't know what hour I will come upon you. 4 Nevertheless you have a few names in Sardis that did not defile their garments. They will walk with me in white, for they are worthy. 5 He who overcomes will be arrayed in white garments, and I will in no way blot his name out of the book of life, and I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels. 6 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.

7 "To the angel of the assembly in **Philadelphia** write: "He who is holy, he who is true, he who has the key of David, he who opens and no one can shut, and who shuts and no one opens, says these things:

8 "I know your works (behold, I have set before you an open door, which no one can shut), that you have a little power, and kept my word, and didn't deny my

name. 9 Behold, I give some of the synagogue of Satan, of those who say they are Jews, and they are not, but lie. Behold, I will make them to come and worship before your feet, and to know that I have loved you. 10 Because you kept my command to endure, I also will keep you from the hour of testing, which is to come on the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth. 11 I am coming quickly! Hold firmly that which you have, so that no one takes your crown. 12 He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of my Elohim, and he will go out from there no more. I will write on him the name of my Elohim, and the name of the city of my Elohim, the new Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from my Elohim, and my own new name. 13 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies.

14 "To the angel of the assembly in Laodiçea write: "The Amen, the Faithful and True Witness, the Head of Elohim's creation, says these things:

15 "I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were cold or hot. 16 So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will vomit you out of my mouth. 17 Because you say, I am rich, and have gotten riches, and have need of nothing; and don't know that you are the wretched one, miserable, poor, blind, and naked; 18 I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire, that you may become rich; and white garments, that you may clothe yourself, and that the shame of your nakedness may not be revealed; and eye salve to anoint your eyes, that you may see. 19 As many as I love, I repreve and chasten. Be zealous therefore, and repent. 20 Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, then I will come in to him, and will dine with him, and he with me. 21 He whe overcomes, I will give to him to sit down with me on my throne, as I also overcame, and sat down with my Father on his throne. 22 He whe has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies."

Revelation 4

After these things I looked and saw a door opened in heaven, and the first voice that I heard, like a trumpet speaking with me, was one saying, "Come up here, and I will show you the things which must happen after this."

2 Immediately I was in the Spirit. Behold, there was a throne set in heaven, and one sitting on the throne 3 that looked like a jasper stone and a särdius. There was a rainbow around the throne, like an emerald to look at. 4 Around the throne were twenty-four thrones. On the thrones were twenty-four elders sitting, dressed in white gärments, with crowns of gold on their heads. 5 Out of the throne proceed lightnings, sounds, and thunders. There were seven lamps of fire bûrning before his throne, which are the seven Spirits of Elohim. 6 Before the throne was something like a sea of gläss, similar to crystal. In the middle of the throne, and around the throne were four living creatures full of eyes before and behind. 7 The first creature was like a lion, and the second creature like a cälf, and the third creature had a face like a man, and the fourth was like a flying eagle. 8 The four living creatures, each one of them having six wings, are full of eyes around and within. They have no rest day

and night, saying, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord YAHWEH, the Almighty, who was and who is and who is to come!"

9 When the living creatures give glory, honor, and thanks to him who sits on the throne, to him who lives forever and ever, 10 the twenty-four elders fall down before him who sits on the throne, and worship him who lives forever and ever, and throw their crowns before the throne, saying, 11 "Worthy are you, our Lord and Elohim, the Holy One, to receive the glory, the honor, and the power, for you created all things, and because of your desire they existed, and were created!"

Revelation 5

I såw, in the right hand of him whe sat on the throne, a book written inside and sutside, sealed shut with seven seals. 21 såw a mighty angel proclaiming with a laud voice, "Whe is worthy to open the book, and to break its seals?" 3 No one in heaven above, or on the earth, or under the earth, was able to open the book, or to look in it. 4 And I wept much, because no one was found worthy to open the book, or to look in it. 5 One of the elders said to me, "Don't weep. Behold, the Lion whe is of the tribe of Judah, the Reet of David, has overcome; he whe opens the book and its seven seals." 6 I såw in the middle of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the middle of the elders, a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, having seven horns, and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of Elohim, sent on the throne. 8 New when he had taken the book, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each one having a härp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. 9 They sang a new song, saying,

"You are wôrthy to take the book, and to open its seals: for you were killed, and bought us for **Elohim** with your blood, out of every tribe, language, people, and nation, 10 and made us kings and priests to our **Elohim**, and we will reign on earth."

11 I saw, and I heard something like a voice of many angels around the throne, the living creatures, and the elders; and the number of them was ten thousands of ten thousands, and thousands of thousands; 12 saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who has been killed to receive the power, wealth, wisdom, strength, honor, glory, and blessing!"

13 I heard every created **th**ing which is in heaven, on the **e**ar**th**, under the **e**ar**th**, on the sea, and every**th**ing in **th**em, saying, "To him who sits on the **th**rone, and to the Lamb be the blessing, the honor, the glory, and the dominion, forever and ever! Amen!"

14 The four living creatures said, "Amen!" The elders fell down and worshiped.

Revelation 6

I saw that the Lamb opened one of the seven seals, and I heard one of the four living creatures saying, as with a voice of thunder, "Come and see!" 2 And behold, a white horse, and he who sat on it had a bow. A crown was given to him, and he came out conquering, and to conquer.

3 When he opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature saying, "Come!" 4 Another came out, a red horse. To him who sat on it was given power to take peace from the earth, and that they should kill one another. There was given to him a great sword.

5 When he opened the **th**ird seal, I heard the **th**ird living creature saying, "Come and see!" And behold, a black horse, and he who sat on it had a balance in his hand. 6 I heard a voice in the middle of the four living creatures saying, "A phoenix of wheat for a denärius, and **three** phoenix of bärley for a denärius! Don't damage the oil and the wine!"

7 When he opened the fourth seal, I heard the fourth living creature saying, "Come and see!" 8 And behold, a pale horse, and he who sat on it, his name was Death. Hades followed with him authority over one fourth of the earth, to kill with the sword, with famine, with death, and by the wild animals of the earth was given to him.

9 When he opened the fifth seal, I saw underneath the altar the souls of those who had been killed for the Word of Elohim, and for the testimony of the Lamb which they had. 10 They cried with a loud voice, saying, "How long, Lord YAHWEH, the holy and true, until you judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" 11 A long white robe was given to each of them. They were told that they should rest yet for a while, until their fellow servants and their brothers, who would also be killed even as they were, should complete their course.

12 I såw when he opened the sixth seal, and there was a great êarthquake. The sun became black as sackcloth made of hair, and the whole meen became as blood. 13 The stärs of the sky fell to the êarth, like a fig tree dreeping its unripe figs when it is shaken by a great wind. 14 The sky was remeved like a scroll when it is rolled up. Every mountain and island were moved out of their places. 15 The kings of the êarth, the princes, the commanding officers, the rich, the strong, and every slave and free pêrson, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains. 16 They told the mountains and the rocks, "Fåll on us, and hide us from the face of him who sits on the throne, and from the wräth of the Lamb, 17 for the great day of his wräth has come; and who is able to stand?"

Revelation 7

After this, I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, so that no wind would blow on the earth, or on the sea, or on any tree. 2 I saw another angel ascend from the sunrise, having the

seal of the living **Elohim**. He cried with a loud voice to the four angels to whom it was given to harm the **earth** and the sea, 3 saying, "Don't harm the **earth**, neither the sea, nor the trees, until we have sealed the bondservants of our **Elohim** on their foreheads!" 4 I heard the number of those who were sealed, one hundred forty-four thousand, sealed out of every tribe of the children of Israel:

thousand, of the tribe of Sad twelve thousand, of the tribe of Reuben twelve thousand, of the tribe of Naphtali twelve thousand, of the tribe of Manasseh twelve thousand, of the tribe of Simeon twelve thousand, of the tribe of Levi twelve thousand, of the tribe of Issachär twelve thousand, of the tribe of Issachär twelve thousand, of the tribe of Zebulun twelve thousand, of the tribe of Joseph twelve thousand, of the tribe of Benjamin were sealed twelve thousand.

9 After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude, which no man could number, out of every nation and of all tribes, peoples, and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, dressed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands. 10 They cried with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation be to our Elohim, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

11 All the angels were standing around the **th**rone, the elders, and the four living creatures; and **th**ey fell on **th**eir faces before his **th**rone, and worshiped **Elohim**, 12 saying, "Amen! Blessing, glory, wisdom, **th**anksgiving, honor, power, and might, be to our **Elohim** forever and ever! Amen."

13 One of the elders answered, saying to me, "These who are arrayed in white robes, who are they, and from where did they come?"

14 I told him, "My lord, you know."

He said to me, "These are those who came out of the great tribulation. They washed their robes, and made them white in the Lamb's blood. 15 Therefore they are before the throne of Elohim, they serve him day and night in his temple. He who sits on the throne will spread his tabernacle over them. 16 They will never be hungry, neither thirsty any more; neither will the sun beat on them, nor any heat; 17 for the Lamb who is in the middle of the throne shepherds them, and leads them to springs of waters of life. And Elohim will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Revelation 8

When he opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about hälf an hour. 2 I såw the seven angels who stand before **Elohim**, and seven trumpets were given to them. 3 Another angel came and stood over the altar, having a golden censer. Much incense was given to him, that he should add it to the prayers of all the saints on the golden altar which was before the throne. 4 The

smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, went up before **Elohim** out of the angel's hand. 5 The angel took the censer, and he filled it with the fire of the altar, and threw it on the earth. There followed thunders, sounds, lightnings, and an earthquake.

6 The seven angels who had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound. 7 The first sounded, and there followed hail and fire, mixed with blood, and they were thrown to the earth. One third of the earth was burnt up, and one third of the trees were burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up.

8 The second angel sounded, and something like a great burning mountain was thrown into the sea. One third of the sea became blood, 9 and one third of the living creatures which were in the sea died. One third of the ships were destroyed.

10 The **th**ird **angel** sounded, and a great stär fell from the sky, bûrning like a torch, and it fell on one **th**ird of the rivers, and on the springs of the waters. 11 The name of the stär is called "Wôrmwood." One **th**ird of the waters became wôrmwood. Many people died from the waters, because they were made bitter.

12 The fourth angel sounded, and one third of the sun was struck, and one third of the moon, and one third of the stärs; so that one third of them would be därkened, and the day wouldn't shine for one third of it, and the night in the same way. 13 I saw, and I heard an eagle, flying in mid heaven, saying with a loud voice, "Woe! Woe! Woe for those who dwell on the earth, because of the other voices of the trumpets of the three angels, who are yet to sound!"

Revelation 9

The fifth angel sounded, and I saw a stär from the sky which had fallen to the **ê**ar**th**. The key to the pit of the abyss was given to him. 2 He opened the pit of the abyss, and smoke went up out of the pit, like the smoke from a burning furnace. The sun and the air were darkened because of the smoke from the pit. 3 Then out of the smoke came locusts on the earth, and power was given to them, as the scorpions of the earth have power. 4 They were told that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree, but only those people who don't have Elohim's seal on their foreheads. 5 They were given power not to kill them, but to torment them for five months. Their torment was like the torment of a scorpion, when it strikes a person. 6 In those days people will seek death, and will in no way find it. They will desire to die, and death will flee from them. 7 The shapes of the locusts were like horses prepared for war. On their heads were something like golden crowns, and their faces were like people's faces. 8 They had hair like women's hair, and their teeth were like those of lions. 9 They had breastplates, like breastplates of iron. The sound of their wings was like the sound of chariots, or of many horses rushing to war. 10 They have tails like those of scorpions, and stings. In their tails they have power to harm men for five months. 11 They have over them as king the angel of the abyss. His name in Hebrew is "Abaddon", but in Greek, he

haş the name "Apollyon". 12 The fîrst woe is päst. Behold, there are still two woes coming äfter this.

13 The sixth angel sounded. I heard a voice from the horns of the golden altar which is before **Elohim**, 14 saying to the sixth angel who had one trumpet, "Free the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates!"

15 The four angels were freed who had been prepared for that hour and day and month and year, so that they might kill one third of mankind. 16 The number of the ärmies of the horsemen was two hundred million. I heard the number of them. 17 Thusl saw the horses in the vision, and those who sat on them, having breastplates of fiery red, hyaçinth blue, and sulfur yellow; and the heads of lions. Out of their mouths proceed fire, smoke, and sulfur. 18 By these three plagues were one third of mankind killed: by the fire, the smoke, and the sulfur, which proceeded out of their mouths. 19 For the power of the horses is in their mouths, and in their tails. For their tails are like serpents, and have heads, and with them they harm. 20 The rest of mankind, who were not killed with these plagues, didn't repent of the works of their hands, that they wouldn't worship demons, and the idols of gold, and of silver, and of brass, and of stone, and of wood; which can neither see, nor hear, nor wak. 21 They didn't repent of their murders, nor of their socceins, nor of their sexual immorality, nor of their thefts.

Revelation 10

I saw a mighty angel coming down out of the sky, clothed with a cloud. A rainbow was on his head. His face was like the sun, and his feet like pillars of fire. 2 He had in his hand a little open book. He set his right foot on the sea, and his left on the land. 3 He cried with a loud voice, as a lion roars. When he cried, the seven thunders uttered their voices. 4 When the seven thunders sounded, I was about to write; but I heard a voice from the sky saying, "Seal up the things which the seven thunders said, and don't write them."

5 The angel whem I saw standing on the sea and on the land lifted up his right hand to the sky, 6 and swore by him whe lives forever and ever, whe created heaven and the things that are in it, the earth and the things that are in it, and the sea and the things that are in it, that there will no longer be delay, 7 but in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he is about to sound, then the mystery of Elohim is finished, as he declared to his servants, the prophets. 8 The voice which I heard from heaven, again speaking with me, said,

"Go, take the book which is open in the hand of the angel who stands on the sea and on the land."

9 I went to the **ang**el, telling him to give me the littl bòok.He said to me, "Take it, and **e**at it up. It will make your stomach bitter, but in your mouth it will be as sweet as honey."

10 I took the little book out of the angel's hand, and ate it up. It was as sweet as honey in my mouth. When I had eaten it, my stomach was made bitter. 11 They told me, "You must prophesy again over many peoples, nations, languages, and kings."

Revelation 11

A reed like a rod was given to me. Someone said, "Rise, and measure Elohim's temple, and the altar, and those who worship in it. 2 Leave out the court which is outside of the temple, and don't measure it, for it has been given to the nations. They will tread the holy city under foot for forty-two months. 3 I will give power to my two witnesses, and they will prophecy one thousand two hundred sixty days, clothed in sackclo**th**." 4 **Thes**e are the two olive trees and the two lamp stands, standing before the Lord of the earth. 5 If anyone desires to harm them, fire proceeds out of their mouth and devours their enemies. If anyone desires to harm them, he must be killed in this way. 6 These have the power to shut up the sky, that it may not rain during the days of their prophecy. They have power over the waters, to turn them into blood, and to strike the **ê**ar**th** with every plague, as often as they desire. 7 When they have finished their testimony, the beast that comes up out of the abyss will make wår with them, and overcome them, and kill them. 8 Their dead bodies will be in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also their Lord was crucified. 9 From among the peoples, tribes, languages, and nations people will look at their dead bodies for three and a half days, and will not allow their dead bodies to be laid in a temb. 10 Those who dwell on the earth rejoice over them, and they will be glad. They will give gifts to one another, because these two prophets tormented those who dwell on the earth. 11 After the three and a haif days, the breath of life from Elohim entered into them, and they stood on their feet. Great fear fell on those who saw them. 12 I heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up here!" They went up into heaven in the cloud, and their enemies saw them. 13 In that day there was a great earth-quake, and a tenth of the city fell. Seven thousand people were killed in the earth-quake, and the rest were terrified, and gave glory to the **Elohim** of heaven. 14 The second woe is past. Behold, the **third** woe comes quickly.

15 The seven**th** angel sounded, and great voices in heaven followed, saying, "The kingdom of the world has become the Kingdom of our Lord, and of his Christ. He will reign forever and ever!"

16 The twenty-four elders, who sit on their thrones before Elohim's throne, fell on their faces and worshiped Elohim, 17 saying: "We give you thanks, Lord YAHWEH, the Almighty, the one who is and who was; because you have taken your great power, and reigned. 18 The nations were angry, and your wrath came, as did the time for the dead to be judged, and to give your bondservants the prophets, their reward, as well as to the saints, and those who fear your name, to the small and the great; and to destroy those who destroy the earth."

19 **Elohim'ş** temple **th**at is in heaven was **o**pened, and the **ä**rk of the **Lord'ş** covenant was **see**n in his temple. **Li**ghtning**ş**, **so**und**ş**, **t**hunder**ş**, an **e**ar**th**-**qua**ke, and great hail followed.

Revelation 12

A great sign was seen in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the meen under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stärs. 2 She was with child. She cried out in pain, laboring to give bîrth. 3 Another sign was seen in heaven. Behold, a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads seven crowns. 4 His tail drew one third of the stärs of the sky, and threw them to the earth. The dragon stood before the woman who was about to give bîrth, so that when she gave bîrth he might devour her child. 5 She gave bîrth to a son, a male child, who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron. Her child was caught up to Elohim, and to his throne. 6 The woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by Elohim, that there they may nourish her one thousand two hundred sixty days.

7 There was war in the sky. Michael and his angels made war on the dragon. The dragon and his angels made war. 8 They didn't prevail, neither was a place found for him any more in heaven. 9 The great dragon was thrown down, the old serpent, he who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world. He was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. 10 I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation, the power, and the Kingdom of our Elohim, and the authority of his Christ has come; for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them before our Elohim day and night. 11 They overcame him because of the Lamb's blood, and because of the word of their testimony. They didn't love their life, even to death. 12 Therefore rejoice, heavens, and you who dwell in them. Woe to the earth and to the sea, because the devil has gone down to you, having great wrath, knowing that he has but a short time."

13 When the dragon saw that he was thrown down to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male child. 14 Two wings of the great eagle were given to the woman, that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, so that she might be nourished for a time, and times, and harf a time, from the face of the serpent. 15 The serpent spewed water out of his mouth after the

woman like a river, that he might cause her to be carried away by the stream. 16 The earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed up the river which the dragon spewed out of his mouth. 17 The dragon grew angry with the woman, and went away to make war with the rest of her offspring, who keep Elohim's commandments and hold Jesus' testimony.

Revelation 13

Then I stood on the sand of the sea. I saw a beast coming up out of the sea, having ten horns and seven heads. On his horns were ten crowns, and on his heads, blasphemous names. 2 The beast which I saw was like a leopard, and his feet were like those of a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion. The dragon gave him his power, his **th**rone, and great au**th**ority. 3 One of his heads looked like it had been wounded fatally. His fatal wound was healed, and the whole earth marveled at the beast. 4 They wôrshiped the dragon, because he gave his authority to the beast, and they wôrshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast? Who is able to make war with him?" 5 A mouth speaking great things and blasphemy was given to him. åu**th**ority to make wår for forty-two months was given to him. 6 He opened his mouth for blasphemy against Elohim, to blaspheme his name, and his dwelling, those who dwell in heaven. 7 It was given to him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them. authority over every tribe, people, language, and nation was given to him. 8 All who dwell on the earth will worship him, everyone whose name has not been written from the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who has been killed. 9 If anyone has an ear, let him hear. 10 If anyone is to go into captivity, he will go into captivity. If anyone is to be killed with the sword, he must be killed. Here is the endurance and the faith of the saints.

11 I saw another beast coming up out of the earth. He had two horns like a lamb, and he spoke like a dragon. 12 He exercises all the authority of the first beast in his preşençe. He makes the êarth and those who dwell in it to wôrship the first beast, whese fatal wound was healed. 13 He performs great signs, even making fire come down out of the sky to the earth in the sight of people. 14 He deceives my own people who dwell on the earth because of the signs he was granted to do in front of the beast; saying to those who dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast who had the sword wound and lived. 15 It was given to him to give breath to it, to the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cåuşe as many as wouldn't wôrship the image of the beast to be killed. 16 He cåuşeş åll, the småll and the great, the rich and the poor, and the free and the slave, to be given märks on their right hands, or on their foreheads; 17 and that no one would be able to buy or to sell, unless he has that mark, the name of the beast or the number of his name. 18 Here is wisdom. He who has understanding, let him calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man. His number is six hundred sixty-six.

Revelation 14

I såw, and behold, the Lamb standing on Mount Zion, and with him a number, one hundred forty-four thousand, having his name, and the name of his Fäther, written on their foreheads. 2 I heard a sound from heaven, like the sound of many waters, and like the sound of a great thunder. The sound which I heard was like that of härpists playing on their härps. 3 They sing a new song before the throne, and before the four living creatures and the elders. No one could learn the song except the one hundred

forty-four thousand, those who had been re-deemed out of the earth. 4 These are those who were not defiled with women, for they are virgins. These are those who follow the Lamb wherever he goes. These were redeemed by Jesus from among men, the first fruits to Elohim and to the Lamb. 5 In their mouth was found no lie, for they are blameless.

6 I saw an angel flying in mid heaven, having an eternal Good News to proclaim to those who dwell on the earth, and to every nation, tribe, language, and people. 7 He said with a loud voice, "Fear the Lord, and give him glory; for the hour of his judgment has come. Worship him who made the heaven, the earth, the sea, and the springs of waters!"

8 An**oth**er, a second angel, followed, saying, "Babylon the great has fallen, which has made all the nations to drink of the wine of the wräth of her sexual immorality."

9 Another angel, a third, followed them, saying with a great voice, "If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives a mark on his forehead, or on his hand, 10 he also will drink of the wine of the wrath of Elohim, which is prepared unmixed in the cup of his anger. He will be tormented with fire and sulfur in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb. 11 The smoke of their torment goes up forever and ever. They have no rest day and night, those who worship the beast and his image, and who ever receives the mark of his name. 12 Here is the patience of the saints, those who keep the command-ments of Elohim, and the faith of Jesus."

13 I hêard the voiçe from heaven saying, "Write, 'Blessed are the dead whe die in the Lord YAHWEH from new on."

"Yes," says the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors; for their works follow with them."

14 I ooked, and behold, a white cloud; and on the cloud one sitting like a son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle. 15 Another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him who sat on the cloud, "Send your sickle, and reap; for the hour to reap has come; for the harvest of the earth is ripe!" 16 He who sat on the cloud thrust his sickle on the earth was reaped.

17 Another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven. He also had a sharp sickle. 18 Another angel came out from the altar, he who has power over fire, and he called with a great voice to him who had the sharp sickle, saying, "Send your sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth, for the earth's grapes are fully ripe!" 19 The angel thrust his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vintage of the earth, and threw it into the great wine press of the wrath of Elohim. 20 The wine press was trodden outside of the city, and blood came out of the wine press, even to the bridles of the horses, as far as one thousand six hundred stadia.

Revelation 15

I såw another great and märvelous sign in the sky: seven angels having the seven läst plagues, for in them Elohim's wräth is finished. 2 I såw something like a sea of gläss mixed with fire, and those who overcame the beast, his image, and the number of his name, standing on the sea of gläss, having härps of Elohim. 3 They sang the song of Moses, the sêrvant of Elohim, and the song of the Lamb, saying,

"Great and märvelous are your works, Lord YAHWEH, the Almighty! Righteous and true are your ways, you King of the nations.4 Who wouldn't fear you, Lord YAHWEH, and glorify your name? For you only are holy. For all the nations will come and worship before you. For your righteous acts have been revealed."

5 After **theşe th**ings I looked, and the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened. 6 The seven angels who had the seven plagues came out, clothed with pure, bright linen, and wearing golden sashes around their breasts.

7 One of the four living creatures gave to the seven angels seven golden bowls full of the wräth of **Elohim**, who lives forever and ever. 8 The temple was filled with smoke from the glory of **Elohim**, and from his power. No one was able to enter into the temple, until the seven plagues of the seven angels would be finished.

Revelation 16

I heard a loud voice out of the temple, saying to the seven angels, "Go and pour out the seven bowls of the wräth of **E lohim** on the earth!"

- 2 The first went, and poured out his bowl into the earth, and it became a harmful and evil sore on the people who had the mark of the beast, and who worshiped his image.
- 3 The second angel poured out his bowl into the sea, and it became blood as of a dead man. Every living thing in the sea died.
- 4 The **th**ird poured out his bowl into the rivers and springs of water, and they became blood. 5 I heard the angel of the waters saying, "You are righteous, who are and who were, you Holy One, because you have judged these **th**ings. 6 For they poured out the blood of the saints and the prophets, and you have given them blood to drink. They deserve this." 7 I heard the alter saying, "Yes, Lord YAHWEH, the Almighty, true and righteous are your judgments."
- 8 The fourth poured out his bowl on the sun, and it was given to him to scorch men with fire. 9 People were scorched with great heat, and people blasphemed the name of Elohim who has the power over these plagues. They didn't repent and give him glory.
- 10 The fifth poured out his bowl on the throne of the beast, and his kingdom was därkened. They gnåwed their tongues because of the pain, 11 and they blasphemed

the **Elohim** of heaven becauşe of **their** pains and **their** sores. They didn't repent of **their** works.

12 The sixth poured out his bowl on the great river, the Euphrates. Its water was dried up, that the way might be prepared for the kings that come from the sunrise. 13 I saw coming out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet, three unclean spirits, something like frogs; 14 for they are spirits of demons, performing signs; which go out to the kings of the whole inhabited earth, to gather them together for the war of that great day of Elohim, the Almighty.

15 "Behold, I come like a thief. Blessed is he who watches, and keeps his clothes, so that he doesn't wak naked, and they see his shame." 16 He gathered them together into the place which is called in Hebrew, Megiddo.

17 The seventh poured out his bowl into the air. A loud voiçe came out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, "It is done!" 18 There were lightnings, sounds, and thunders; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since there were men on the earth, so great an earthquake, so mighty. 19 The great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell. Babylon the great was remembered in the sight of Elohim, to give to her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath. 20 Every island fled away, and the mountains were not found. 21 Great hailstones, about the weight of a talent, came down out of the sky on people. People blasphemed Elohim because of the plague of the hail, for this plague is exceedingly severe.

Revelation 17

One of the seven angels who had the seven bowls came and spoke with me, saying, "Come here. I will show you the judgment of the great prostitute who sits on many waters, 2 with whom the kings of the earth committed sexual immorality, and those who dwell in the earth were made drunken with the wine of her sexual immorality." 3 He carried me away in the Spirit into a wilderness. I saw a woman sitting on a scärlet-colored animal, full of blasphemous names, having seven heads and ten horns. 4 The woman was dressed in purple and scarlet, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having in her hand a golden cup full of abominations and the impurities of the sexual immorality of the earth. 5 And on her forehead a name was written, "MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT MOTHER OF PROSTITUTES AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH." 61 saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jeşuş. When I saw her, I wondered with great amazement. 7 The angel said to me, "Why de you wonder? I will tell you the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carries her, which has the seven heads and the ten horns. 8 The beast that you såw was, and is not; and is about to come up out of the abyss and to go into destruction. Those who dwell on the earth and whose names have not been written in the book of life from the foundation of the world will marvel when they see that the beast was, and is not, and shall be present. 9 Here is the mind that has

wişdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sits. 10 They are seven kings. Five have fållen, the one is, the other has not yet come. When he comes, he must continue a little while. 11 The beast that was, and is not, is himself ålso an eigh**th**, and is of the seven; and he goeş to destruction. 12 The ten horns that you saw are ten kings who have received no kingdom as yet, but they receive åu**th**ority as kings, with the beast, for one hour. 13 These have one mind, and they give their power and authority to the beast. 14 These will war against the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings, and those who are with him are called, chosen, and faithful." 15 He said to me, "The waters which you saw, where the prostitute sits, are peoples, multitudes, nations, and languageş. 16 The ten horns which you saw, and the beast, these will hate the prostitute, and will make her desolate, and will make her naked, and will eat her flesh, and will bûrn her utterly with fire. 17 For Elohim has put in their heärts to de what he has in mind, and to be of one mind, and to give their kingdom to the beast, until the wôrds of Elohim shoù/d be accomplished. 18 The woman whom you saw is the great city, which reigns over the kings of the earth."

Revelation 18

After these things, I saw another angel coming down out of the sky, having great authority. The earth was illuminated with his glory. 2 He cried with a mighty voice, saying, "Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great, and she has become a habitation of demons, a prison of every unclean spirit, and a prison of every unclean and hateful bird! 3 For all the nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her sexual immorality, the kings of the earth committed sexual immorality with her, and the merchants of the earth grew rich from the abundance of her luxury."

4 I heard another voice from heaven, saying, "Come out of her, my people, that you have no pärticipation in her sins, and that you don't receive of her plagues, 5 for her sinş have reached to the sky, and Elohim haş remembered her iniquitieş. 6 Retûrn to her just as she returned, and repay her double as she did, and according to her wôrks. In the cup which she mixed, mix to her double. 7 However much she glorified hêrself, and grew wanton, so much give her of torment and mourning. For she says in her heärt, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and will in no way see mourning. 8 Therefore in one day her plagues will come: death, mourning, and famine; and she will be utterly burned with fire; for the Lord YAHWEH who has judged her is strong. 9 The kings of the earth, who committed sexual immorality and lived wantonly with her, will weep and wail over her, when they look at the smoke of her bûrning, 10 standing fär away for the fear of her torment, saying, 'Woe, woe, the great çity, Babylon, the strong çity! For your judgment haş come in one hour. 11 The mêrchants of the êarth weep and mourn over her, for no one buys their mêrchandise any môre; 12 mêrchandise of gold, silver, preçious stones, pêarls, fine linen, pûrple, silk, scärlet, åll expensive wood, every vessel of ivory, every vessel made of most preçious wood, and of bräss, and iron, and märble; 13 and cinnamon, incense, pêrfume, frankinçense, wine, olive oil, fine flour, wheat, sheep, horses, chariots,

and people's bodies and souls. 14 The fruits which your soul lusted after have been lost to you, and all things that were dainty and sumptuous have perished from you, and you will find them no more at all. 15 The merchants of these things, who were made rich by her, will stand far away for the fear of her torment, weeping and mourning; 16 saying, 'Woe, woe, the great city, she who was dressed in fine linen, purple, and scarlet, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls! 17 For in an hour such great riches are made desolate. Every ship master, and everyone who sails anywhere, and mariners, and as many as gain their living by sea, stood far away, 18 and cried out as they looked at the smoke of her burning, saying, 'What is like the great city? 19 They cast dust on their heads, and cried, weeping and mourning, saying, 'Woe, woe, the great city, in which all who had their ships in the sea were made rich by reason of her great wealth! For she is made desolate in one hour.

20 "Rejoiçe over her, O heaven, you saints, apostles, and prophets; for **Elohim** has judged your judgment on her." 21 A mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone and cast it into the sea, saying, "Thus with violence will Babylon, the great city, be thrown down, and will be found no more at all. 22 The voice of harpists, minstrels, flute players, and trumpeters will be heard no more at all in you. No craftsman, of whatever craft, will be found any more at all in you. The sound of a mill will be heard no more at all in you. 23 The light of a lamp will shine no more at all in you. The voice of the bridegroom and of the bride will be heard no more at all in you; for your merchants were the princes of the earth; for with your sorcery all the nations were deceived. 24 In her was found the blood of prophets and of saints, and of all who have been slain on the earth."

Revelation 19

After these things I heard something like a loud voice of a great multitude in heaven, saying, "HalleluYAH! Salvation, power, and glory belong to our Elohim: 2 for true and righteous are his judgments. For he has judged the great prostitute, who corrupted the earth with her sexual immorality, and he has avenged the blood of his servants at her hand."

3 A second said, "HalleluYAH! Her smoke goes up forever and ever." 4 The twentyfour elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped Elohim who sits on the throne, saying, "Amen! HalleluYAH!"

5 A voi**c**e came from the **th**rone, saying, "Give prai**s**e to **o**ur **Elohim**, **å**ll you his s**e**rvants, you who fear him, the sm**å**ll and the great!"

6 I heard something like the voice of a great multitude, and like the voice of many waters, and like the voice of mighty thunders, saying, "HalleluYAH! For the Lord YAHWEH our Almighty, reigns! 7 Let us rejoice and be exceedingly glad, and let us give the glory to him. For the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his wife has made herself ready." 8 It was given to her that she would array herself in bright, pure, fine linen: for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.

9 He said to me, "Write, 'Blessed are **those** who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb." He said to me, "These are true words of Elohim."

10 I fell down before his feet to worship him. He said to me, "Look! Don't dot! I am a fellow bondservant with you and with your brothers who hold the testimony of Jesus. Worship Elohim, for the testimony of Jesus is the Spirit of Prophecy."

11 I såw the heaven opened, and behold, a white horse, and he who sat on it is cålled Faithfül and True. In righteousness he judges and makes wår. 12 His eyes are a flame of fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has names written and a name written which no one knows but he himself. 13 He is clothed in a gärment sprinkled with blood. His name is cålled "The Word of Elohim." 14 The ärmies which are in heaven followed him on white horses, clothed in white, pure, fine linen. 15 Out of his mouth proceeds a shärp, double-edged sword, that with it he shoù/d strike the nations. He will rule them with an iron rod. He treads the wine press of the fierceness of the wräth of Elohim, the Almighty. 16 He has on his gärment and on his thigh a name written, "KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

17 I såw an angel standing in the sun. He cried with a loud voiçe, saying to åll the birds that fly in the sky, "Come! Be gathered together to the great supper of Elohim, 18 that you may eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and slave, and small and great." 19 I såw the beast, and the kings of the êarth, and their ärmies, gathered together to make war against him who sat on the horse, and against his ärmy. 20 The beast was taken, and with him the false prophet who worked the signs in his sight, with which he deceived those who had received the märk of the beast and those who wor-shipped his image. These two were thrown alive into the lake of fire that bûrns with sulfur. 21 The rest were killed with the sword of him who sat on the horse, the sword which came out of his mouth. all the birds were filled with their flesh.

Revelation 20

I såw an angel coming down out of heaven, having the key of the abyss and a great chain in his hand. 2 He seized the dragon, the old sêrpent, which is the devil and Satan, who deceives the whole inhabited êarth, and bound him for a thousand years, 3 and cäst him into the abyss, and shut it, and sealed it over him, that he should deceive the nations no more, until the thousand years were finished. After this, he must be freed for a short time. 4 I såw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them. I såw the souls of those who had been beheaded for the testimony of Jesus, and for the word of Elohim, and such as didn't worship the beast nor his image, and didn't receive the märk on their forehead and on their hand. They lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. 5 The rest of the dead didn't live until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection. 6 Blessed and holy is he who has pärt in the first resurrection. Over

these, the second death has no power, but they will be priests of **Elohim** and of Christ, and will reign with him one thousand years.

7 And äfter the **theusand** years, Satan will be released from his prison, 8 and he will come out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to the war; the number of whom is as the sand of the sea. 9 They went up over the width of the earth, and surrounded the camp of the saints, and the beloved city. Fire came down out of heaven from **Elohim**, and devoured them. 10 The devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and sulfur, where the beast and the false prophet are also. They will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

11 I sắw a great white throne, and him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. There was found no place for them. 12 I sắw the dead, the great and the småll, standing before the throne, and they opened books. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged out of the things which were written in the books, according to their works. 13 The sea gave up the dead who were in it. Death and Hades gave up the dead who were in them. They were judged, each one according to his works. 14 Death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. 15 If anyone was not found written in the book of life, he was cäst into the lake of fire.

Revelation 21

I såw a new heaven and a new êarth: for the first heaven and the first êarth have pässed away, and the sea is no more. 2 I såw the holy çity, New Jeruşalem, coming down out of heaven from Elohim, prepared like a bride adorned for her huşband. 3 I hêard a loud voiçe out of heaven saying, "Behold, Elohim'ş dwelling is with people, and he will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and Elohim himself will be with them as their Elohim. 4 He will wipe away from them every tear from their eyeş. Death will be no more; neither will there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain, any more. The first things have pässed away."

5 He who sits on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." He said, "Write, for these words of Elohim are faithful and true." 6 He said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give freely to him who is thirsty from the spring of the water of life. 7 He who overcomes, I will give him these things. I will be his Elohim, and he will be my son. 8 But for the cowardly, unbelieving, sinners, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorçerers, idolaters, and all liars, their part is in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death."

9 One of the seven angels who had the seven bowls, who were loaded with the seven läst plagues came, and he spoke with me, saying, "Come here. I will show you the wife, the Lamb's bride." 10 He carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high

mountain, and showed me the holy city, Jeruşalem, coming down out of heaven from Elohim, 11 having the glory of Elohim. Her light was like a most precious stone, as if it were a jasper stone, clear as crystal; 12 having a great and high wall; having twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels; and names written on them, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel. 13 On the east were three gates; and on the north three gates; and on the south three gates; and on the west **three** gates. 14 The wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on **them** twelve names of the twelve Apostles of the Lamb. 15 He who spoke with me had for a measure, a golden reed, to measure the city, its gates, and its walls. 16 The city is square, and its length is as great as its width. He measured the city with the reed, twelve thousand twelve stadia. Its length, width, and height are equal. 17 It s wall is one hundred forty-four cubits, by the measure of a man, that is, of an angel. 18 The construction of its wall was jasper. The city was pure gold, like pure glass. 19 The foundations of the city's wall were adorned with all kinds of precious stones. The first foundation was jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, chalcedony; the fourth, emerald; 20 the fifth, särdonyx; the sixth, särdius; the seventh, chrysolite; the eighth , beryl; the ninth, topaz; the tenth, chrysoprasus; the eleventh, jacinth; and the twelfth, amethyst. 21 The twelve gates were twelve pearls. Each one of the gates was made of one pearl. The street of the city was pure gold, like transparent gläss. 22 I såw no temple in it, for the Lord YAHWEH, the Almighty, and the Lamb, are its temple. 23 The city has no need for the sun, neither of the meen, to shine, for the very glory of **Elohim** illuminated it, and its lamp is the Lamb. 24 The nations will walk in its light. The kings of the earth bring the glory and honor of the nations into it. 25 lts gates will in no way be shut by day (for there will be no night there), 26 and they shall bring the glory and the honor of the nations into it so that they may enter. 27 There will in no way enter into it anything profane, or one who cåuşeş an abomination or a lie, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Revelation 22

He showed me a river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of Elohim and of the Lamb, 2 in the middle of its street. On this side of the river and on that was the tree of life, bearing twelve kinds of fruits, yielding its fruit every month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. 3 There will be no curse any more. The throne of Elohim and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants serve him. 4 They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. 5 There will be no night, and they need no lamp light; for the Lord YAHWEH will illuminate them. They will reign forever and ever.

6 He said to me, "**Theş**e wôrdş are fai**th**ful and true. The Lord **YAHWEH** of the spirits of the prophets sent his angel to **sho**w to his bondsêrvants the **th**ingş which must happen seen."

7 "Behold, I come quickly. Blessed is he who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book."

8 New I, John, am the one whe heard and saw these things. When I heard and saw, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel whe had shown me these things. 9 He said to me, "See you don't do it! I am a fellow bondservant with you and with your brothers, the prophets, and with those who keep the words of this book. Worship Elohim." 10 He said to me, "Don't seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is at hand. 11 He who acts unjustly, let him act unjustly still. He who is filthy, let him be filthy still. He who is righteous, let him do righteousness still. He who is holy, let him be holy still."

12 "Behold, I come quickly. My reward is with me, to repay to each man according to his work. 13 I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Läst, the Beginning and the End." 14 Blessed are those who do his (YAHWEH'S) commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter in by the gates into the city. 15 outside are the dogs, the sorceres, the sexually immoral, the murderers, the idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood. 16 "I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify these things to you for the assemblies. I am the root and the offspring of David; the Bright and Morning Stär."

17 The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" He who hears, let him say, "Come!" He who is thirsty, let him come. He who desires, let him take the water of life freely. 18 I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book, if anyone adds to them, may Elohim add to him the plagues which are written in this book. 19 If anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, may Elohim take away his part from the tree of life, and out of the holy city, which are written in this book. 20 He who testifies these things says, "Yes, I come quickly."

Amen! Yes, come, Lord Jeşuş.

21 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with all the saints. Amen.

ADDENDUM: THE PHONETIC ENGLISH BIBLE

YOUR VERY OWN PERSONAL GOD

IS THE SPIRIT WHO IS

BEHIND THE EYES THAT YOU SEE

WHEN YOU LOOK IN THE MIRROR

Naturalists and creationists around the world have waged wars since especially the writings of Charles Darwin around the middle of the 19th century. For my own part ... I am a totally committed **creationist** in the direction of the **SPIRIT** who built the brain that I am thinking with.

My simple creationist thinking about the '*SPIRIT* or 'GOD' in my head is easy to follow and is based mainly on a small number of verifiable facts:

- 1. The human brain: The human brain has long been recognised as the most complex organisation of matter in the universe. It contains around one hundred billion cells ... and it would take around 3000 years to count them all ... without time off for either sleeping or eating. But this is only where the brain's complexity begins ... because each cell is made of the biological substance referred to as DNA (dioxyribonucleicacid) and DNA is known as the most compact organisation of information in the universe.
- 2. My age and nine months ago: My age and nine months ago I was only a fertilised human egg in my mum's belly. I was so small that I was only just visible to the naked eye ... and around 50 of me could have been fitted onto the space occupied by an Australian 5 cent coin. The sperm from my dad ... which provided the other half of the entire biological blueprint for my body was so small that as many as 5 of them could have been fitted into the width of a single human hair. Since that time ... and after 82 years ... this fertilised egg has grown into a human male weighing 80 kilograms.
- 3. The facetiously postulated 'Mother Nature' of Darwin's naturalist school of thinking has never even existed ... that "she" might possess any brain at all ... let alone enough brains to "evolve" a human brain or a fertilised human egg. The human brain alone is more complex than the entire system of computers at NASA headquarters in the USA!
- 4. I often "pre-see" bits of my personal future: The intellectual disciplines of biology and psychology are totally unable to explain "spiritual" phenomena like this. But similar "spiritual" events have happened with me on a number of occasions. Three examples will do for now. (1) on one occasion I personally saw Satan (2) on another occasion I saw a demon spirit at the same time as my companion saw it and (3) I have also seen miraculous healing in response to simple prayers before the SPIRIT who is behind the eyes that I see whenever I look in a mirror.
- 5. Finally: This Divine Creation SPIRIT who has been the exclusive source of the life in my body, has maintained no less than five continuous miracles on a full time basis for me since I was born! (1) the miracle of locomotion (movement) in otherwise dead meat (2) the miracle of food processing for body energy and weight (3) the miracle of vision through the ever so tiny lenses in my eyes. (4) the miracle of air vibrations that are detected as huge array of different sounds by my ears and (5) the miracle of the thought hierarchies and words that operate in my brain.

BUT IS OUR BIBLE MORALLY QUALIFIED?

Just what ARE the things that we DO that amount to "SINS" and how qualified are our ENGLISH BIBLES especially to declare SIN?

Following is a commentary on a number of Bible based *behavioural statutes* that Bibles everywhere refer to as "*SINS*". Many of us allow such statutes to quite *destructively* rule our lives.

In the writing of the next few pages I am indebted to a number of internet publications by the **Secular WEB** group. Whilst my own views on the **existence versus non existence of God** represent the clear antithesis of this group's central position, this group does emphasize many items of **Biblical information** that many modern Christians would do well to know more about.

Our planet contains some 45,000 different Christian denominations whose teachings claim to have derived originally from a divinely authorised Bible. But are any Bible based doctrines indeed divinely authoried? This is truly a legitimate question. The problem of divinely determined SIN is promoted especially by a large number of fundamentalist Christian interpretations of scripture. And adamant interpretations of this type often lead to perfectly innocent people believing (quite self destructively) that they are actually SINNING before the God called YAHWEH in the Old Testament or before the Savior called JESUS in the New Testament.

The validity of such Bible based *SIN* doctrines have been a matter of the individual opinions that have been promoted for 2 millennia by over a million teachers of *scripture*. You may disagree that the *conflicting scriptures* in the following pages do in fact, cause or contribute to exclusively *Bible created* problems ... but these conflicting scriptures will still remain ... regardless of your own *perceived correctness* within your choices of 'right' or 'wrong' scriptures.

AND IN THE FINAL ANALYSIS

EVERY 'DEPARTED' PERSON WHO HAS EVER LIVED
HAS ANSWERED EXCLUSIVELY TO THE SPIRIT
WHO WAS BEHIND THE EYES THAT THEY SAW
WHENEVER THEY HAD
LOOKED IN THE MIRROR

SO LET'S NOW EXAMINE SOME CONFLICTING SCRIPTURES

1. Introduction: Problems with Bible Translation

NOTE The scriptural <u>LINKS</u> within this article have been selected from material provided by the 'Secular Web' group.

The modern English Bible ...with its massive problems ... will forever remain as a translation from a collection of sixty-six separate books that were originally chosen by a Catholic Church Council in 397 A.D. This was over three hundred years after the time of *JESUS*. The collection was broken into two main sections: the 39 books of the Old Testament and the 27 books of the New Testament. The current Catholic Bible also has an extra 4 books that is referred to as the Apocrypha.

The Old Testament promotes **YAHWEH** as the God of Gods who created the entire universe and it presents a history of the early Hebrew people. The New Testament was written by early Christians and it presents their beliefs about what **JESUS** did and taught.

The writing of the various books is estimated to have begun around 1000 B.C and to have continued for about 1,100 years. The traditional *word of mouth* stories of those years were put into writing. These stories had been repeated from father to son over centuries, revised over and over again, and then put into written form by various writers. These writers wrote in *different localities over a period of centuries*, and were often not aware of each other.

The prominent 'Secular Web' group reports (1) that no original manuscripts exist and that (2) there is not likely even one of the 70 books which survives in anything like its original form. The group also accurately reports that there are hundreds of differences between the oldest manuscripts of any one book! These differences show that over time, numerous additions and alterations were made to the originals by the various authors, editors, and copyists.

Many biblical authors are simply unknown. Even the *four Gospels* of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, are books that do not carry the names of their original authors. These four names were assigned long after the books were first written ... and most biblical scholars now agree that *none* of the Gospel authors was either (1) an actual disciple of *JESUS* or (2) an eyewitness to His ministry

The Secular Web group also reports that many of the Bible books have the indelible tatoo of fiction. Many stories—stories which in their original context are considered even by devout Christians to be fictional—were 'borrowed' by the biblical authors, adapted for their own purposes, given a historical setting, and then declared to be historical fact. The *flood story* is an example of this kind of adaptation. Its migration from the earliest known occurrence in Sumeria, around 1600 B.C., from place to place and eventually to the Bible, can be traced historically. Each time the story was 'borrowed' again, it was altered to testify of local gods and heroes.

The *Wycliffe Bible Translators* reported that by 2022 the Bible had been translated into 717 languages which is almost 10% of the number of different languages in the world. All of these translations *originated* from the ancient *Hebrew* and *Greek* manuscripts but many were translations of a "second generation" type: e.g from one of the English translations to another language such as Samoan.

In particular: the 70 books which are now the foundation books for almost all English Bible translations were written in either *Hebrew* for the Old Testament or in *Ancient Greek* for the New Testament. And this translational choice from the *Ancient Greek* happened in 397 A.D. But the very *original* manuscripts for the New Testament had been written in the *Peshitta dialect* of the *Aramaic language*. This Peshitta dialect had been the language that was both spoken and written by Jesus and His disciples.

THE MOST TRULY INCOMPREHENSIBLE FACT WITH OUR ENGLISH TRANSLATIONS

There were a total of 14,298 different Hebrew and Ancient Greek words from which our modern English Bibles derive most of their various (current) published translations ... and over three billion English Bibles have been printed since the early 19th century. Most atonishingly however, the two most mistranslated words among these 14,298 different words have been the two Hebrew/Aramaic words YAHWEH for GOD and JESHUA for JESUS. Simply no feature of Christian publication will ever be more incomprehensible than this.

2. Some Seriously Flawed Views and Contradictions

A more thorough list of links is available on the internet from the "Secular Web" group.

<u>DT 6:5, MT 22:37, MK 12:30, LK 10:27</u> *Love God.* <u>DT 6:13, PS 33:8, 34:9, 111:10, 115:13, 128:1, 147:11, PR 8:13, 16:6, 19:23, 22:4, IS 8:13, LK 12:5, 1PE 2:17 *Fear God.*</u>

<u>1KI 22:23</u>, <u>2CH 18:22</u>, <u>JE 4:10</u>, <u>EZ 14:9</u> God deceives some of the prophets. <u>JE 8:8</u> The scribes (copyists, editors, teachers) falsify the word.

<u>2TH 2:11-12</u> God deceives the wicked (to be able to condemn them).

MT 16:28, MK 9:1, LK 9:27 Jesus says that some of his listeners will **not taste death** before he comes again in his kingdom. This was said almost 2000 years ago.

3. A few Apparent Absurdities

A more thorough list of links is available on the internet from the "Secular Web" group.

GE 6:5 God is unhappy with the wickedness of man and decides to flood the earth to *eliminate* mankind. All living things including plants, animals, women and children are also exterminated. GE 7:17-19 The flood covered the entire earth at the same time

NU 22:21-30 A donkey sees an angel, recognizes it as such, and then *speaks* in human language (presumably Hebrew) to his master.

1KI 4:29 God gave the sexually depraved King Solomon (with 700 wives and 300 concubines) wisdom as measureless as the sand on the seashore.

IS 30:26 The moon will someday be as bright as the sun now is.

MT 18:19 If *two* [believers] agree about anything they ask, God will do it for them.

JN 16:23 Jesus says: "Whatever you ask in my name, my Father will give you."

RE 14:1-4 Heaven is to be inhabited in part by 144,000 virgin men who have not been "defiled" by women.

4. A Selection from Many Atrocities

A more thorough list of links is available on the internet from the "Secular Web" group.

LE 26:29, DT 28:53, JE 19:9, EZ 5:8-10 As a punishment, the Lord will cause people to *eat the flesh* of their own sons and daughters and fathers and friends.

NU 15:32-36 A Sabbath breaker (who had gathered sticks for a fire) is *stoned to death* at the Lord's command.

NU 25:4 (KJV) "And the Lord said unto Moses, take all the heads of the people, and hang them up before the Lord against the sun"

DT 20:13-17 But thou shalt utterly destroy them; namely, the Hittites, and the Amorites, the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites; as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee: (6 Genocides) DT 20:16 "In the cities of the nations the Lord is giving you as an inheritance, do not leave alive anything that breathes." and this when our modern histories condemn comparable genocides by Hitler, Stalin and Putin.

JG 11:29-39 Jepthah *sacrifices his beloved daughter*, his only child, according to a vow he has made with the Lord. 2SA 10:18 David slew 47,000+ Syrians. 2KI 10:7 Jehu has Ahab's seventy sons beheaded, then *sends the heads* to their father.

MT 3:12, 8:12, 10:21, 13:30, 42, 22:13, 24:51, 25:30, LK 13:28, JN 5:24 Some will spend *eternity burning in Hell*. There will be weeping, wailing and gnashing of teeth.

MT 10:35-36 "For I have come to turn a man *against* his father, a daughter *against* her mother, a daughter-in-law *against* her mother-in-law a man's enemies will be the members of his own family."

5. Questionable Guidelines

A more thorough list of links is available on the internet from the "Secular Web" group.

GE 3:16, CO 11:3-9, EP 5:22-24, CN 3:18, TS 2:5, 1PE 3:1-6 The husband is to rule over his wife. Wives are to be subject to their husbands even when the husband is disobedient to God. Man is the image and glory of God, while woman is the glory of man. Man was not created for woman but woman for man. GE 31:17, GE 36:6, DT 21:15, JG 8:30, SA 5:13, KI 11:3, CH 14:3, CH 11:21, 13:21 *Polygamy* is condoned

EX 20:5 We are not to worship a likeness. The children to the *third and fourth generation* will be punished for infractions.

EX 20:8-11, 31:15-17, 34:21, 35:1-3 No work of any kind is to be done on the Sabbath, not even lighting of a fire. This commandment is permanent. *Death* is required for infractions

EX 21:7-11 A father can *sell a daughter* into slavery to pay a debt. A daughter sold into slavery is not released at the end of six years as is an ordinary male slave.

EX 21:17, LE 20:9, DT 21:18-21 A child who curses his parent(s) is to be put to death. A stubborn and/or rebellious child *is to be put to death*. NU 31:18, 35, JG 21:12 Young *virgins* are considered a spoil of war and can be taken for the use of the victors.

DT 24:1-4 A man may *divorce his wife* simply because she displeases him.

MT 5:22 Do not get angry. Anger is a sin. MT 23:9 Do not call any man on earth "father."

MT 5:18-19 The *Old Testament law* is to *remain in effect* until heaven and earth pass away.

MT 5:29-30, 18:8-9, MK 9:43-47 If your eye causes you to *sin*, pluck it out. If your hand causes you to *sin*, cut it off. MK 10:2-12, LK 16:18 Divorce is wrong, and to remarry is to commit adultery.

MK 10:29, LK 18:29 A man who leaves his *house, wife, brothers, parents, or children* for the sake of the kingdom of God will receive special rewards.

LK 14:26 One cannot be a disciple of Jesus *unless he hates* his mother, father, wife, children, brothers, sisters, and even his own life.

RO 13:1-4, PE 2:13-14 Be subject to *every human institution*. All authorities (laws and governments) are from God.

1CO 11:3-10 A <u>woman</u> is to keep *her head covered* while praying or prophesying.

1CO 14:34-35 <u>Women</u> are to be *silent* in church. If they have any questions, they are to ask their husbands at home. It is a *shame* for women to speak in church. 1TI 2:9, 1PE 3:3 <u>Women</u> should not braid their hair, or wear gold or pearls or costly attire. 1TI 2:11-12 <u>Women</u> are to learn in silence (from men) in all submissiveness. 1TI 2:12 <u>Women</u> are not permitted to teach or have authority over

6. Bible Vulgarities

A more thorough list of links is available on the internet from "Secular Web" group.

<u>1SA 18:27</u> So that David might be allowed to marry the king's daughter, the king asks David to bring him 100 Philistine foreskins. David does the job right and brings the king not 100, but 200, foreskins of murdered Philistines.

<u>2SA 5:13</u>, <u>20:3</u> David had many concubines. <u>2SA 6:14</u>, <u>16, 20-23</u> David dances and exposes himself to his maids. (His wife, Michal rebukes him for having done so, and as a consequence she is made barren.)

2SA 12:11-12 The Lord is going to punish David for his sin by taking his wives and causing his neighbor to have sexual relations with them in public. 2KI 6:29 "So we cooked my son and ate him. The next day I said to her, 'Give up your son so we may eat him,' but she had hidden him."

<u>1CH 11:21</u> Rehoboam had eighteen wives and sixty concubines. <u>IS 13:15</u> "Their infants will be dashed to pieces before their eyes; their ... wives will be ravished." <u>EZ 23:10</u> "They stripped her naked, took away her sons and daughters and killed her with the sword." <u>HO 13:16</u> "They shall fall by the sword: their infants shall be dashed in pieces, and their women with child shall be ripped up."

BIBLE BASED JUDGEMENT OF OUR 'SIN' BEHAVIOUR?

With foundational background scriptures that expose MORAL EXCESSES AS EXTREME AS THE FOREGOING none of the 45,000 (democratically elected) Christian denominations on Planet Earth has EVER had divine entitlement to be SCRIPTURALLY ADAMANT or JUDGEMENTAL about our human "SIN" behaviour.

SO WHICH BITS OF YOUR BIBLE TRULY AMOUNT TO "THE WORD OF GOD" FOR YOU PERSONALLY?

According to the scripture, the Elohim (GOD) of Moses called himself **YAHWEH**. This is the name that He our Elohim (GOD) gave to Moses with this clear instruction "This is My Name forever ... the name you shall call me from generation to generation." (Ex 3:14) And even in 2022 some of our Bible translators continue to (mis)pronouce the Hebrew word for **YAHWEH** as **JEHOVAH**.

Astonishingly, the investigations of our 21st century archaeologist Titus Kennedy, serve to confirm the pronunciation of *YAHWEH*. He reports that the name of the Elohim (GOD) called *YAHWEH* is associated with the Egyptian pictogram for "the Land of the Nomads of the world" within the 3,400 year old stonework that was chiselled during the reign of Pharaoh Amenhotep III.

Religious traditions since that time have mostly espoused the view that Moses was actually the author of the first five books of the Bible. These books are called *The Torah* by Jews, *The Pentateuch* by Christians and *The Taurat* by Muslims. For a significant list of reasons, some of which we present in this introduction, this tradition is contentious.

Modern archaeology holds that the 3,400 year old version of the Hebrew Torah could not have been written by Moses. Rather, it teaches that the Torah was most probably compiled from the largely *oral language traditions* that prevailed around the time of the Babylonian enslavement of the Hebrew people. This enslavement occurred circa 600 BCE ... an estimated 8 centuries after the death of Moses. And the very earliest form of Hebrew writing ... called Paleo Hebrew ... begins to appear in the archaelogical records of around 1000 years before the birth of the Christ.

SO WE REALLY DO HAVE AN ANCIENT TRANSLATIONAL PROBLEMS WITH "THE WORD OF GOD"

Despite the 2000 year old translational problems, Andrew Gabriel Roth (2012) points out that the birth of JESUS was preceded by over 300 mentions within the scriptures. And the writing of these scriptures seems to have begun close enough to the time of King David circa 1000 BCE. No other event in human history has been preceded by so many miraculously recorded portents within the written record. Our scriptural translational problems however have persisted, with especially most of our *English* translations of the ancient Hebrew.

Our main first English translation of the scriptures was for King James the King of England. It occurred in 1611. And today ... some 82% of the people who regularly read the English Bible will reach for this still seriously mistranslated King James version before any other.

Yet nowadays there are heaps of other Bibles to choose from. Between 1815 and 1975 an estimated total of 5 billion Bibles were printed. The average citizen in America owns 9 Bibles and the annual global sales of Bibles routinely tops \$425million. Globally too, more than 66,000 people are using a Bible app at any given second.

But since1611, most of the English speaking Christians of the world have been taught that the original New Testament scriptures were written in *Ancient Greek*. And this is categorically not the case. JESUS and his disciples both spoke and wrote *Aramaic* and they wrote the earliest scriptures in Aramaic.

Was it the WORD of GOD or was it the MILTHA of GOD?

The ancient Greek translators in fact, frequently *distorted* the meanings of the original *Aramaic* scriptures of our New Testament by using Greek words that did not have the same meanings as the Aramaic words. For example: the word *Miltha* in the original Aramaic meant both *Word* as well as *Power*. If this original and unique double meaning from some 2000 years ago had been carried over into the billions of Bibles that were subsequently printed, it could have radically altered the appreciation of our Elohim's (GOD's) basic truth by Christians all over the world.

A CASE IN POINT THE FIRST VERSE OF THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

In the beginning was the Miltha (... word or power ...) and the Miltha (... word or power ...) was with Elohim (God) and Elohim (God) was the Miltha (... word or power ...)*

* Reference: Aramaic English New Testament 2012 (by) Andrew Gabriel Roth

In effect ... the *Aramaic* word for what much of the English speaking world calls the *Word* ... refers both to a *string of letters* and to a *string of spoken sounds* as well as to the *presence and power* of our Elohim (GOD).

And when we read some of our modern scriptures in this 'new' but nearly 2000 year old light they can expand with additional meaning. Examples follow.

"The miltha (word or power?) of God is living and powerful and sharper than a two edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit and of joints and marrow and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart ..."

Heb: 4:12 NKJV

"Most assuredly I say to you, he who hears *My miltha* (word or power?) and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life and ..." *John: 5:24 NKJV*

THE FORGOTTEN POWER OF 'SCRIPTURE FREE' PRAYERS

Please note: This topic within this writing is not intended to belittle the extreme importance for all of us ... of searching the scriptures for directions from The Holy Spirit on our thinking, speaking and living. The most shared Bible Verse on the internet today is Isaiah 53:5 as follows: "But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him and by His stripes we are healed"

According to a global counting exercise in late 2021, more than 893 translations of the Bible currently existed in print and this in 246 different languages.* Give or take a few thousand words, there must be around 750,000 words in all of them. And as mentioned earlier these translations serve a truly amazing total of more than 45,000 Christian denominations that exist in the world. This amounts to a different Christian denomination ... together with its democratic rule book and ruling bureaucracy ... for roughly every 16 words within an average English Bible! * Source: Grzegorz Kaszynski

Moses however began praying with **no scripture at all** that we can know of: but the **spoken language** traditions of his time probably supplied him with much of the information which later appeared within at least the Book of Genesis.

Regardless of these problems, the Book of Exodus tells us that Moses was directly told by **YAHWEH** Himself that His name was **YAHWEH**. Today's majority view holds that this name means **I** AM THE I AM.

Scripture says that *YAHWEH* also gave Moses the first copy of *The Ten Commandments*. These commandments over the ensuing millennia became the foundational rules for shaping the behaviours and beliefs of almost the entire Western World as we know it.

In his day, Moses must have been the busiest man on the planet. Scripture tells us that initially he was the leader of some 600,000 warriors ... plus their families ... out of Egypt and that for the 40 years that followed he led these families during their nomadic wanderings in the desert. On these figures alone not less than 2.5 million nomadic people were under Moses' leadership in the desert.

Time for prayer and time for the actual writing of the very first 'scripture' must have been rare indeed for Moses. Yet the Moses type of scripture free prayer still stands out as possibly the most successful type of prayer in either human or 'Biblical' history. Let's consider some of the scriptural evidence.

Despite his lack of access to any 'scripture' that we can know of, the Moses reputation for miraculously answered prayers can be argued to rival that of even **JESUS** our Saviour. Among other things ... these prayers (1) brought ten plagues upon the entire nation of Egypt (2) parted the Red Sea for Moses and his people (3) destroyed the Pharoah's army and (4) miraculously healed thousands ... and all of these things without Moses having any access to a Holy Book or Scroll.

Moses simply loved the **YAHWEH** that he prayed to ... but we cannot believe with confidence that he wrote the first five books of the Bible. Historically speaking, much outside of the Ten Commandments the writing of significant tracts of scripture by Moses himself is dubious indeed.

THE 'SECRET' BEHIND THE PRAYER OF MOSES?

God is love and faith works by love are the two most simple and absolute statements that reveal the derivation of the immense power that supported the prayer of Moses. An uncountable number of similar statements occur throughout scripture. Jointly, these two statements represent the most fundamental teaching about the spiritual state of mind within us that releases the Divine power of YAHWEH and of His Savior Son JESUS. This 'Divine love' teaching underpins countless pages of the Bible from Genesis through to Revelation. And the vital message of this teaching for the whole of humanity is equally simple. In the absence of love YAHWEH and His son JESUS work miracles very rarely indeed if ever.

"Though I speak with the tongues of men and angels, and have not love I am become as sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal ... and though I have all the faith so that I can move (even) mountains but have not love I am nothing." 1 Cor: 1-2

Any Christian denomination that does not systematically set out to engender this level of divinely powered love within its congregations is simply not representing the Elohim (GOD) who designed and built the brain that each of us is thinking with. It was miraculous divine love that enabled Abraham's wife Sarah to bear a child at the age of ninety. It was miraculous divine love that worked all the miracles for Moses. It was miraculous divine love that created over 300 prophetic scriptures that were *fulfilled* by the birth, life, death and resurrection of *JESUS*. It also continues to be this divine love that is accessible to this very day to both you and me ... who believe in the following:

- 1. YAHWEH as the Spirit who built the brain that each of us thinks with and
- **2**. **JESUS** who, as his **human** son, voluntarily sacrificed his own human Spirit to his Elohim and Father **YAHWEH**, so that the unique **human holiness** and power of the son might be **returned** by **YAHWEH** to all who prayed with a total commitment before the unconditional love of **YAHWEH**.
- "Greater works than these shall you do because I go unto My Father" John 14:12

THE 21st CENTURY 'SECRET' BEHIND THE POWER OF THE CHRIST?

You've got it already ... but a few more things need to be added

The **JESUS** who sacrificed His life for **each** of us was a Jewish rabbi or 'teacher' of his time. He preached and consistently demonstrated (with many miracles) the power that could be generated by the love of **YAHWEH** like no-one else either before Him or since. His words from the gospel of Mark some 2000 years ago summarize His **still current instruction** to us all.

"Behold Israel, the Lord YAHWEH your Elohim (GOD) is one. You shall love the Lord YAHWEH your Elohim (GOD) with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength." then "This is the first commandment. The second is like this: You shall also love your neighbour as you love yourself" then "There is no other commandment greater than these"

So what on earth could have caused the divine *grace* behind this access to unlimited divine power to seemingly disappear from global Christianity in practice? Even the Book of Revelation points out that our first century Christians started to abandon the teachings of *YAHWEH* through His son *JESUS* before the end of that century.

And over the last 2000 years especially, very few Christians indeed have been taught that our Elohim (GOD) is *still* the very same *YAHWEH* who:

- (1) raised **JESUS** from the dead
- (2) powered all miracles that were worked for Moses and for *JESUS* and for all of the people who lived within the 1,400 years that separated their lives on earth.
 - (3) was the Elohim (GOD that **JESUS** worshipped and still **does** worship. (Rev:3)
 - (4) was the Elohim (GOD) that **JESUS** told the entire world to worship
- (5) still is the Elohim (GOD) whose *HOLY NAME* has been blasphemously obliterated from the greater part of 7 billion English Bibles that have been printed to date.

THE MOST MIRACULOUS TRUTH OF THE LOT

In all probability, the most miraculous truth of the lot to emerge from the current collection of especially English Bible translations is as follows:

"Sufficient basic truth about YAHWEH and His Son JESUS has actually survived to enable a huge number of Christians to establish both life long and eternal love relationships with our Divine Father and His only Begotten Son JESUS."

Even in 2023 our translations continue to provide hundreds of editorial and moral inconsistencies that persist in defying teachings by Jewish, Christian and even Muslim clerics everywhere.

THE NEW TESTAMENT

An editorial minefield of INCONSISTENCES and SYMBOLISM!

As mentioned earlier, originally the New Testament was a group of 27 separate documents (later called Books) that were written by either 8 or 9 writers some 1900 years ago. These documents claimed to have recorded the activities and teachings of the Christ and are estimated to have been written between 40 years and up to 80 years after His death on the Cross.

Some of our modern archaeology *guesses* that perhaps two of these writers might have been eyewitnesses to any of the events ... involving the Person of Jesus ... that they wrote about. But archaeology also guesses that there were none. Whilst *copying* between the writers of that time is evident today, it is indeed clear that *none* of them communicated with any of the others at the time(s) of their writings.

All of these original documents were written in the *Aramaic* language that was spoken and written by *JESUS* and His apostles. As explained more fully later, it is *vital* to be clear that the original language of our scriptures was *not* Greek ,,, and our modern experts who quote from the ancient Greek scriptures need to do more homework.

With editorial qualifications as clearly haphazard as this, a minefield of inconsistencies within the original New Testament Scriptures was inevitable. These inconsistencies are still everywhere within our New Testament. At that time especially ... without any authoritative community body in place to actually vet the writings of the then revolutionary 'JESUS' movement'... the way was cleared for a minefield of writings that were less than strictly factual.

Some 170+ inconsistencies

The work on the internet by Donald Morgan (of the Secular Web group) on these Bible inconsistencies is thorough. In the New Testament alone he lists over 170 of them that have not been refuted ... and this regardless of the particular translation into English that you are reading. To me, the following *two* alone of Morgan's reported inconsistencies, are sufficiently *arresting* to convince others ... such as yourself ... to begin larger checks of your own.

1. The last words of JESUS on the Cross: The three different versions of JESUS' last words on the Cross are:

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"My God My God why hast Thou forsaken Me!" MT 27:46-50 MK 15: 34-37 "Father, into Thy hands I commit My spirit." LK 23: 46 "It is finished." JN 19: 30
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- **2.** The unforgivable sin: blasphemy against the Holy Spirit: Three different scriptures tell us that ALL sins are forgivable: AC 13:39 CN 2:13 and 1 JN 1:9. These three scriptures conflict with the following words that are reported as quotes from the mouth of JESUS.
- "But whosoever speaketh against the Holy Spirit it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world nor the world to come." MT 12:32
- "But he that shall blaspheme against the Holy Spirit hath never forgiveness, but is in danger of eternal damnation." MK 3:29

[&]quot;But unto him that blasphemeth against the Holy Spirit it shall not be forgiven." LK 12:10

TWISTED TRUTH GLOBALLY BY CHRISTIAN PREACHERS

Christianity is simultaneously the most divided and divisive set of beliefs in the world. Christians are in a position to choose a different cult or branch of Christianity for roughly every 16 pages of a "Holy" English Bible that can only *claim* to be holy and in selected *parts* of it. The *45,000* Christian denominations on Planet Earth clearly scream of (1) division (2) untruth (3) confusion and (4) unreliability. It appears that we can trust *God* and only *God*.

Around the world preachers, priests, pastors and pretenders of all descriptions derive their often (truly) *lucrative* incomes by teaching the *Word of the Bible* but all too often *blasphemize* that they are (instead) teaching the "*Word of God*".

Andrew Farley in his recent book entitled *Twisted Scriptures* presents an able exposure of the main *45 lies* that have been preached (some of them for centuries) from Christian pulpits all over the world. Farley has made freely available both audible and PDF files of his book on the internet. The time has come for many Christians to find out about the *destructiveness* of these lies..

It is well too to be reminded that these preachers tend to preach from only an estimated 10% of the scriptures that the Bible makes available to everyone.

MILLENNIA OLD DISTORTIONS FROM SYMBOLIC BIBLICAL STORIES

1. The Adam and Eve Story: More symbolism is contained in this story than most Christians realise. And we need only to question the DNA of the male and female involved. If the story were true then (1) one of the pair had to be a giant and the other a pygmy and (2) one of them had to be white and the other either striped or polka dotted ... and this in different skin colours.

So many of our Bible stories and events need to be seen as simply *symbolic* illustrations that were originally meant by the Lord *YAHWEH* to convey features of an undefined but underpinning *spiritual* reality.

2. The "This is My Body" story: In the Scriptures, JESUS at one stage symbolically said "I am the vine ... and My Father is the Farmer." This statement was spoken as a simple and symbolic one that has never been misinterpreted. And no Christian in the 2000 years since then has believed that JESUS ever once resembled a mobile bunch of leaves.

But a **second** (and similarly simple and **symbolic** statement uttered by **JESUS**) has consistently brought some truly incredible behaviors to especially Catholic church ceremonies over the past two millennia. This second statement was reportedly said by **JESUS** at what is known as the last supper when at a simple and final meal table ... **JESUS** broke a loaf of bread and said these words "**This is My body**." and then shortly after this he said these words "**Do this in remembrance of Me**."

And for most of the 2000 years since that time, the strictly regimented Catholic church theology on the 4 word symbolic statement of "This is is My Body" has required all Catholics to believe the following: that whenever Catholic priests say these four words over bits of bread, then these bits of bread are instantly converted into the actual "body, blood, soul and divinity" of the Lord JESUS Himself!

To me, it's impossible to concoct an officially stipulated theological teaching that could be more implausible than this. But this centuries old and *official* theological stipulation does help to explain to the global non-Catholic public ... why the world witnesses on the public media ... so many hugely expensive or seemingly crazy 'fancy dress' ceremonies by men and women in their religious uniforms.

To me ... the daily practice of the "This is my Body" ritual by Catholocism essentially tries to teach us that the 'once and for all' spiritual sacrifice of the life of the only begotten son of YAHWEH on the Cross wasn't enough for the spiritual salvation of humankind in its entirety.

MOST CHRISTIANS GLOBALLY DO NOT CALL ON THE NAME OF THE GOD CALLED YAHWEH TO WHOM JESUS PRAYED

As mentioned earlier, the original scriptures of the Bible have been translated into over 246 languages. In most of these languages the name of YAHWEH has been translated accurately from the original Aramaic or Hebrew ... especially in their Old Testaments and in a few of their New Testaments as well. But the very name of YAHWEH to whom JESUS actually prayed on a full time basis, is missing (and this almost absolutely) from most English Bibles.

Among my personal possessions for example, is a *Contemporary Comparative Parallel Bible*. This volume contains some 3,000,000 words about the lives and teachings of Moses through to *JESUS*. If the translations from the original languages had been fully accurate then this volume should have printed the name *YAHWEH* a total of *28,000* times. The blasphemous truth however is that the mention of the name *YAHWEH* occurs only *once*.

It is almost exclusively within our *English* language Bibles ... and translations into *other languages* from these ... that we find this blasphemous reluctance to translate the original Hebrew /Aramaic name for *YAHWEH* simply and accurately as *YAHWEH*.

LITERALLY TRILLIONS OF DENIALS GLOBALLY

- **1.** For 1900 years, the signature prayer for all of Christianity has been the *HALLOWED BE THY NAME* or the *OUR FATHER* prayer. For at least a hundred human generations this prayer has been sent heavenwards by millions of Christians almost every hour of every day. Yet the very name of *YAHWEH* our Elohim (GOD) that this prayer has clearly referred to has never been spoken or thought of.
- 2. In the 21st century the Jewish descendants of their ancient Hebrew teachings are still being instructed thousands of times by the modern copies of their Old Testament scriptures that *YAHWEH* is the name of the Elohim (GOD) who created both them and their universe. But around 2,500 years ago, the ruling 'holy' Hebrew clerics of that day told their forebears that the name of *YAHWEH* was too holy to be spoken out loud by anyone ... except of course by the ruling Hebrew clerics ... and this on only very rare occasions.

So to this day, when reading their scriptures *aloud*, the modern descendents of the Hebrew people read the word *YAHWEH* as "*Hashem*" (The Name) or as "*Adonai*" (Master). In this way, these present day followers of their own ancient clerical ruling class could well be disempowering the very name of the Elohim (GOD) that their holy scriptures still explicity *instruct* them to pray to.

Since around 1611 CE, there have been some five billion Protestant and Catholic Bibles printed in English alone. The Catholic Bible, comprising a guesstimated 20% of the total, is the main English Bible that makes any mention of the word *YAHWEH*... but only within its Old Testament section. With few exceptions, the remaining English Bibles make *no mention at all* of the word *YAHWEH*.

Yet all of these Bibles claim to have derived from the original Hebrew and this when the Hebrew scriptures alone contain the word *YAHWEH* not less than **6,823** times. And the original *Aramaic* scriptures of the New Testament add at least an extra **176** times to these.

In simple terms then, this means that BILLIONS of English Bibles around the world today collectively *deny* the translation of the very name of *YAHWEH* our Elohim (GOD) some TRILLIONS of times.

There's an interesting and relevant afterthought here too. Some 1900 years ago the original New Testament Scripture reported that St Peter *denied* that he personally knew *JESUS* only *three* times ... but because of the Scriptures he has been remembered for these three denials ever since.

I despair when I think of what the world's thousands of English speaking Bible Colleges have simply *not* done to correct English translation of the Bible. But with only few exceptions, the global omission of the word *YAHWEH* from *all* editions of English New Testaments is also total. And, depending upon which modern and archaeologically verified '*Hebraic Roots*' New Testament that we are using as a reference, these omissions add many more BILLIONS of denials to the name of *YAHWEH* within our English Bibles today.

AND WHAT WOULD JESUS HAVE SAID ABOUT THIS? ... as mentioned earlier: He would have said ...

"Behold Israel! YAHWEH our Elohim is one. You shall love YAHWEH your Elohim with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first commandment. The second is like this, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these."

1900 YEAR OLD RELIGIOUS BIGOTRY

Since before the time of **JESUS** more than 16 Aramaic dialects have now emerged on Planet Earth ... but the very original Aramaic dialect of our New Testament times was the language that was spoken and written by our Savior and His disciples. Archaeologically speaking, this dialect is called Peshitta Aramaic.

The evidence now has it that, sometime early within the century following the death of Our Savior, the Peshitta Aramaic New Testament scriptures were first translated by the Greeks, into Greek.

In 382 CE, the Ancient *Greek* translations of both Testaments were translated into *Latin* and this without any corrections to their fundamental errors. And these seriously still *uncorrected* translations currently mark the historical confirmation of a blasphemous translational religious bigotry that has continued into most of the world's 21st century English Bibles.

HOW THIS BIGOTRY ALSO TRANSFORMED THE NAME OF JESUS

The original Greek translators of the early centuries ... and the later translators of the 17th century King James Bible ... clearly had their own bigoted or antisemitic views that were brought to early and then later Christianity.

Four examples are sufficient for our present purposes: Both the ancient Greek translators of around the 1st or 2nd century and the King James translators of the 17th century:

- **1. Eradicated** all mention of the name **YAHWEH** as the name of GOD (**Elohim**) even though it occurred 6,823 times in the Old Testament and not less than 176 times in the Peshitta New Testament.
 - The name **YAHWEH** over all those centuries was and **still is** the divine name that powered all the miracles (1) for **Moses** and also (2) for **JESUS** in His ministry and also (3) for all the Hebrew people who lived within the 1,400 years that separated their lives on earth.
- 2. Eradicated an extremely important meaning within the Hebrew word Elohim (for 'GOD') with its truly vital ability to simultaneously to mean both ONE* as well as MANY*. (* Like the word SHEEP* in English)
 - The simultaneous grammatically **singular and plural** attribute of the Hebrew word **Elohim** is much more explanatory than either the English word **God** or the Greek word **Theos.**
- 3. Fully reinvented the name of JESUS from the original Aramaic YESHUA in line with the name of their own main pagan Greek god called ZEUS and with this decision they actually *renamed* and thereby paganised our Saviour's name from the Aramaic YESHUA to the nothing like it sound of IE-ZEUS.
 - This paganised **IE-ZEUS** was later to be pronounced variously as **IE-SUS**, **IE-SOU** and also **JE-SUS** by the different nations of the world.
- **4. De-emphasized** to near extinction, countless foundational teachings and traditions within the **TORAH** that was attributed to Moses ... as well as to **JESUS** ... by referring to the five books of the **TORAH** as merely the **LAW**.

SOME POSSIBLY HELPFUL THOUGHTS ON PRAYER

Every prayer at its spiritual basis is simply an attempt to communicate with the creator Spirit who designed and built the brain that each of us uses to *think* with. Both you and your *Creator Spirit* (or 'Elohim') *understand* the language that you personally think with. Otherwise basic and personal (two way) communication between you and your creator Elohim (GOD) would fail eternally. Even the simplest of effective praying must forever remain as this *two* way communication between you and your Elohim (GOD).

YOUR VERY OWN PERSONAL GOD IS FOREVER IN YOUR BRAIN WITH YOU

AND WITH ALL OF HIS MINISTERING SPIRITS AND THIS ALL OF THE TIME

Wherever our Elohim (GOD) is, *his ministering spirits too* are with Him and this *all* of the time. No other view or theory on the precise whereabouts of both Elohim (GOD) and *his ministering spirits* makes any sense at all. This is why the Hebrew word 'ELOHIM' (which is both singular and plural) is a much better word than the English word 'GOD' or the Greek word 'THEOS' as a reference to our creator who creates everone *individually*. A paraphrase from Psalm 82 adds some light here: *You are GODS (Elohim?) yet you shall each die like a MAN*.

However, none of humankind's three Abrahamic religions choose to sufficiently emphasize this *most fundamental spiritual reality* that underpins the design and construction of the brain that is in *every* (single) human head. The Christian scriptures too declare "In the

Beginning was the WORD and the WORD was with GOD and GOD was the WORD." They also declare that Elohim (GOD) is and always was the "Alpha and the Omega." or if we prefer the Aramaic here ... "the Aleph and the Tav."

And these two simple declarations also neatly summarise that Elohim (GOD) is actually the *first* word ever spoken by humankind and the *last* word too. There has never been a clearer way than these two Scriptures to summarise the *ultimate* truth that Elohim (GOD) alone has been the *ever present spirtual powerhouse* that has underpinned *every* word that your human brain ... with its 100 billion cells ... has ever thought of or spoken.

For around 170 human *generations* too (from roughly the time of Moses onwards) all *three* of the *Abrahamic religions* of the world have consistently failed to teach prayer routines that have been designed to communicate (with *shared* love) in the essential **two way** process between you and the Elohim (GOD) who built **you**. We need to remember constantly that **our own** love for the Elohim (GOD) in our heads and hearts is close enough to the only valuable thing on the planet that even He our ELOHIM is **unable** to create!

YOUR MOST POWERFUL PRAYERS ARE THE ONES THAT BOTH YOU AND YOUR GOD UNDERSTAND ... AND SO OFTEN ... THEY CANNOT BE FOUND IN THE BIBLE

Neither the *Abraham* of 4,000 years ago nor the *Moses* of 3,400 years ago had any scripture to read or refer to. They simply *loved* and *believed in* the Elohim (GOD) that they prayed to. And this Elohim *did* apparently answer to both of them with the heaps of miracles that were subsequently described in the Bible.

SO YOU SHOULD NEVER FORGET THAT

- (1) Both *YAHWEH* (our Elohim) and *JESUS* (our Savior) in your brain, are your very own personal and *eternal* spiritual realities and They are *One*.
- (2) The HEAVEN in your brain too, is your very own eternal spiritual reality.
- (3) The spiritual messengers (angels) in your brain obey God exclusively.
- (4) Both the 'HELL' and the 'SATAN' in your brain are also spiritual realities.

Simply no human being has ever been smart enough to get intellectually elaborate before the level of *divine and absolute intelligence* that designed and built the brains (of around 100 billion cells) that *each* of us thinks with:

So it's probably a good idea to keep our prayers to the Lord **YAHWEH** and to His only begotten son the Lord **JESUS** both very simple and constant. And it's a good idea too, to make sure that they constantly express total **love** and **admiration**.

My own most frequent *daily* prayers are always personally addressed to *YAHWEH* and to *JESUS*. And their *wording* each day remains similar to the following:

- 1. Lord YAHWEH and Lord JESUS
- 2. I love YOU ... I love YOU ... I love YOU
- 3. You love ME ... You love ME ... You love ME
 - 4. Thank YOU ... Thank YOU ... Thank YOU

5. YOU are in my HEAD and HEART and BLOODSTREAM every second of every day and this with all of YOUR MINISTERING ANGELS. 6. So please teach me to PRAY

Each prayer repeated many times

From the **SCIENTIFIC** standpoint alone we should never forget that the concepts of both distance and plurality are merely functions of the existence of the **TIME** that **YAHWEH** and **JESUS** jointly created and continue to **maintain** within each of our **bodies** every second of every day.

And They are (and always have been) *forever* on our side in our unceasing life long and persistent fight against the *ultimate spiritual stench* that the world's three Abrahamic religions *all* refer to as Satan...

Sincerely: Christopher Nugent: September 2023

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10 MARKS AROUND THE LETTERS HOW THEY WORK

SIGN 1. Faint and smaller letters are not to be sounded out. They are silent: writ wrestle trauble debt knob SIGN 2. **BOLDED** pairs of consonant letters make one common English sound unit: ph as in philosophy gh as in rough sh as in shut qu as in quit ch as in chin SIGN 3. **BOLDED** single vowels **a e i o u** changes their sounds from short to long: unit icon oval even **a**pron **th**rough though str**a**ight ghost SIGN 4. A vertical line under the letters **c g s d** changes their sounds to s j z and t respectively: çell rub**\$** jumpe**d** Cru*i*se gem SIGN 5. A vertical line over the letters **a** and **o** changes their sounds to short o and u sounds respectively: quads was watch **qua**lity **Vacht** c**o**me fr**o**nt among wonder mother SIGN 6. A dot over the letters **o** and **u** changes their sounds to hard **u** sound: půll bütcher bosom tóók woman SIGN 7. Two dots over a letter tells you that there is an **ah** sound below: he**ä**rt läugh st**ä**r Sp**ars**e sergeant SIGN 8. A horizontal curved line over a letter tells you that there is **er** sound below: bîrd †**ê**rm b**û**rn w**ô**rthv A vertical c shape over a letter tells you that there is an **or** sound below: SIGN 9. chå/k b**å**ld b**o**ught b**o**rn d**ă**ughter **SIGN 10.** A slanted line through a letter tells you about the sound of •W

allowing

as in 'now' sound:

bounce

plough

scrounge

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the **BOTTOM** 'r' is not usually spoken **after** vowels.

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80%

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THIS IS HOW THE APP WORKS ON HIGHLIGHTED TEXTS

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KEY TO PRONUNCIATIONS

10 MARKS AROUND THE LETTERS HOW THEY WORK

- **SIGN 1.** Faint and smaller letters are not to be sounded out. They are silent:

 knob writ wrestle trouble debt
- sign 2. BOLDED pairs of consonant letters make one common English sound unit:

 gh as in rough ph as in philosophy

 ch as in chin sh as in shut qu as in quit
- sign 3. BOLDED single vowels a e i o u changes their sounds from short to long:

 apron even icon oval unit

 straight though through ghost
- SIGN 4. A vertical line under the letters ¢ g ş d changes their sounds to s j z and t respectively:

 Cell gem rubs jumped cruise
- SIGN 5. A vertical line over the letters a and o changes their sounds to short o and u sounds respectively:

 Was Watch quads quality yacht

come front among wonder mother

- sign 6. A dot over the letters o and u changes their sounds to hard u sound:

 pull butcher bosom woman took
- SIGN 7. Two dots over a letter tells you that there is an **ah** sound below:

 heärt stär läugh spärse sërgeant
- SIGN 8. A horizontal curved line over a letter tells you that there is **er** sound below:

 bird term burn worthy learn
- SIGN 9. A vertical c shape over a letter tells you that there is an or sound below:

 chalk bought bald born daughter
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CONSONANTS

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- d liked licked kissed
- s sit sat set
- \$ dig\$ dog\$ pre\$ent

ch chat chin rich much

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gh tough läugh cough

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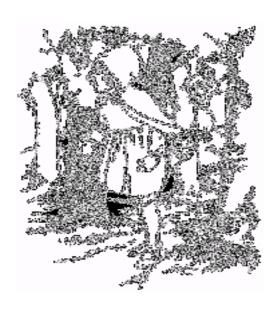
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NOTE: 20 HIGH FREQUENCY 'CONNECTOR' WORDS

A TOTAL of 20 very high frequency 'connector' wôrds occupy a disproportionate volume of the word count on any page. To avoid an unnecessary amount of visual clutter throughout ... the phonetic English font in THE FOLLOWING THREE TRADITIONAL BEDTIME STORIES has chosen NOT to encode the following 20 words:

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1. LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD



1922

There was once a sweet little maid who lived with her father and mother in a pretty little cottage at the edge of the village. At the Further end of the wood was another pretty cottage and in it lived her grandmother.

Everybody loved this little gîrl, her grandmother pêrhaps loved her most of åll and gave her a great many pretty things. Once she

gave her a red cloak with a hood which she always wore, so people called her Little Red Riding Hood.

One morning Little Red Riding Hood's mother said, "Put on your things and go to see your grandmother. She has been ill; take along this basket for her. I have put in it eggs, butter and cake, and other dainties."

It was a bright and sunny morning. Red Riding Hood was so happy that at first she wanted to dance through the wood. All around her grew pretty wild flowers which she loved so well and she stopped to pick a bunch for her grandmother.



Little Red Riding Hööd wandered from her päth and was steeping to pick a flewer when from behind her a gruff voice said, "Gööd mörning, Little Red Riding Hööd." Little Red Riding Hööd türned areund and saw a great big wölf, but Little Red Riding Hööd did not know what a wicked beast the wölf was, so she was not afraid.

[&]quot;What have you in that basket, Little Red Riding Hood?"

[&]quot;Eggs and butter and cake, Mr. Wolf."

[&]quot;Where are you going with them, Little Red Riding Hood?"

"I am going to my grandmother, who is ill, Mr. Wolf."

"Where does your grandmother live, Little Red Riding Hood?"

"Along that päth, päst the wild rose bushes, then through the gate at the end of the wood, Mr. Wolf."

Then Mr. Wolf again said "Good morning" and set off, and Little Red Riding Hood again went in search of wild flowers.

At läst he reached the porch covered with flowers and knocked at the door of the cottage.

"Whe is there?" called the grandmother.

"Little Red Riding Hood," said the wicked wolf.

"Press the latch, open the door, and walk in," said the grandmother.

The wolf pressed the latch, and wakked in where the grandmother lay in bed. He made one jump at her, but she jumped out of bed into a closet. Then the wolf put on the cap which she had dropped and crept under the bedclothes.



In a **sho**rt while Little Red Riding Hood knocked at the door, and walked in, saying, "Good morning, Grandmother, I have brought you eggs, butter and cake, and here is a bunch of flowers I

ga**th**ered in the wood." As she came nearer the bed she said, "What big ears you have, Grandmother."

"åll the better to hear you with, my dear."

"What big eyes you have, Grandmother."

"åll the better to see you with, my dear."

"But, Grandm**oth**er, what a big nose you have."

"åll the better to smell with, my dear."

"But, Grandm**oth**er, what a big mouth you have."

"åll the better to **e**at you up wi**th**, m**y** d**e**ar," he said as he sprang at Little Red Riding Hood.



Just at **th**at moment Little Red Riding Hood's fäther was pässing the cottage and heard her scream. He rushed in and with his axe chopped off Mr. Wolf's head.

Everybody was happy **th**at Little Red Riding Hood had escaped the wolf. **Th**en Little Red Riding Hood's fäther carried her home and **th**ey lived happily ever äfter.

2.THE GOOSE-GIRL

There was once an old Queen, who had a very beautiful daughter. The time came when the maiden was to go into a distant country to be married. The old Queen, packaged up everything suitable to a royal outfit.

She also sent a Waiting-woman with her. When the hour of departure came they bade each other a sorrowful farewell and set out for the bridegroom's country.



When **th**ey had ridden for a **time** the Princess became very **th**irsty, and said to the Waiting-woman, "Go down and fetch me some water in my cup from the stream. I must have some thing to drink."

"If you are **th**îrsty," said the Waiting-woman, "dişmount yourself, lie down by the water and drink. I don't cheese to be your sêrvant."

Being very **th**irsty, the Princess dismounted, and *k*nelt by the flowing water.

Now, when she was about to mount her horse again, the Waiting-woman said, "By rights your horse belongs to me; this jade will do for you!"

The poor little Princess was obliged to give way. Then the Waitingwoman, in a härsh voice, ordered her to take off her royal robes, and to put on her own mean gärments. Finally she forced her to swear that she would not tell a person at the Court what had taken place. Had she not taken the oath she would have been killed on the spot.

There was great rejoiçing when they arrived at the cästle. The Prince hurried towårds them, and lifted the Waiting-woman from her horse, thinking she was his bride. She was led upstairs, but the real Princess had to stay below.



The old King looked out of the window and saw the delicate, pretty little creature standing in the courtyard; so he asked the bride about her companion.

"I picked her up on the way, and brought her with me for company. Give the girl something to do to keep her from idling."

The old King said, "I have a little lad who looks after the geese; she may help him."

The boy was called little Conrad, and the real bride was sent with him to look after the geese. When they reached the meadow, the Princess sat down on the grass and let down her hair, and when

Conrad saw it he was so delighted **th**at he wanted to pluck some out; but she said—

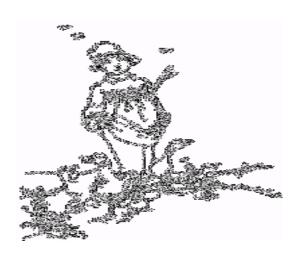
"Blow, blow, little breeze, And Conrad's hat seize.

Let him join in the chase

While away it is whirled, Till my tresses are curled

And I rest in my place."

Then a strong wind sprang up, which blew away Conrad's hat right over the fields, and he had to run äfter it. When he came back her hair was åll put up again.



When **th**ey got home Conrad went to the King and said, "I won't tend the geese wi**th th**at maiden again."

"Why not?" äsked the King.

Then Conrad went on to tell the King åll that had happened in the field. The King ordered Conrad to go next day as uşual and he followed into the field and hid behind a bush. He saw it happen just as Conrad had told him. Thereupon he went away unnoticed; and in the evening, when the Goose-girl came home, he äsked her why she did all these things.

"**Th**at I may not tell you," she answered.

Then he said, "If you won't tell me, **th**en tell the **i**ron stove **th**ere;" and he went away.

She crept up to the stove and unbûrdened her heärt to it. The King stööd outside by the pipes of the stove and heard all she said. Then he came back, and cauşed royal robes to be put upon her, and her beauty was a märvel. Then he called his son and told him that he had a false bride, but that the true bride was here.

The Prince was **chä**rmed with her beauty and a great banquet was prepared. The bridegreem sat at the head of the table, with the Princess on one side and the Waiting-woman at the other; but she did not recognize the Princess.

When **th**ey had **e**aten, the King put a riddle to the Waiting-woman. "What does a person deserve **th**at deceives his master?" telling the whole story.

The fålse bride answered, "He must be put into a barrel and dragged along by two white horses till he is dead."

"That is your deem," said the King, "and the judgment shall be carried out."

When the sentence was fulfilled, the young Prince married his true bride, and they lived together in peace and happiness.

3..THE SLEEPING BEAUTY



Once upon a time there was a king and queen whe for a very long time had no children, and when at length a little daughter was born to them they were so pleased that they gave a christening feast to which they invited a number of fairies. But, unfortunately, they left out one rather cross old fairy, and she was so angry that she said the princess shoù/d die when she reached the age of sixteen, by pricking her hand with a spindle.

åll the **other** fåiries present, except one, had ålready given the princess their beautiful gifts, and this läst one said she could not prevent pärt of the wicked wish coming true; but her gift should be that the princess should not really die, but only fåll into a deep sleep, which should läst for a hundred years, and at the end of that time she should be awakened by a king's son

It **å**Il happened as the **få**iri**eş** had predicted. When the prin**ç**ess was sixt**ee**n y**e**ar**ş** old she s**å**w an old w**o**man spinning and t**oo**k the spindle from her to tr**y** this strange new w**o**rk. Instantly she

pricked her hand and fell into a deep sleep, as did everyone else in the palaçe.

There she lay in a bower of roses, year after year, and the hedge around the palace garden grew so tall and thick that at last you could not have told that there was a castle at all.



At the end of the hundred years a king's son heard of the cästle and the enchanted princess who lay asleep there and determined to rescue her. So he cut his way through the thick prickly hedge and at length he came to the princess. When he saw how lovely and how sweet she looked he fell in love with her and, stopping, kissed her lips.

At once she awoke and with her the king and queen and all the courtiers, who had fallen asleep at the same time.

As the princess was as much taken with the prince's appearance as he was with hers, they decided to be married. And so the wedding was celebrated the same day with great pomp and ceremony.