**Born of God**

**Notes**

1 Corinthians 15:20

20 But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

21 **For since by man came death, by Man also came the resurrection of the dead**.

22 **For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive**.

23 But each one in his own order: **Christ the firstfruits**, afterward those who are Christ’s at His coming.

24 **Then comes the end**, when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father, when He puts an end to all rule and all authority and power.

25 For He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet.

26 The last enemy that will be destroyed is death.

27 For “He has put all things under His feet.” But when He says “all things are put under Him,” it is evident that He who put all things under Him is excepted.

28 Now when all things are made subject to Him, then the Son Himself will also be subject to Him who put all things under Him, that God may be all in all.

1 Corinthians 15:35

35 But someone will say, “How are the dead raised up? And with what body do they come?”

36 Foolish one, what you sow is not made alive unless it dies.

37 And what you sow, you do not sow that body that shall be, but mere grain—perhaps wheat or some other grain.

38 But God gives it a body as He pleases, and to each seed its own body.

39 All flesh is not the same flesh, but there is one kind of 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 is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another.

41 There is one glory of the sun, another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for one star differs from another star in glory.

42 So also is the resurrection of the dead. The body is sown in corruption**, it is raised in incorruption**. 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 a **spiritual body**.

45 And so it is written, “The first man Adam became a living being.” **The last Adam became a life-giving spirit.**

46 However, the spiritual is not first, but the natural, and afterward the spiritual.

47 The first man was of the earth, made of dust**; the second Man is the Lord from heaven**.

48 As was the man of dust, so also are those who are made of dust; and **as is the heavenly Man, so also are those who are heavenly**.

49 **And as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly Man.**

50 **Now this I say**, brethren, that **flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God**; nor does corruption inherit incorruption.

51 Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed—

52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

54 So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: “Death is swallowed up in victory.”

55 “**O Death, where is your sting**?
**O Hades, where is your victory**?”

**56 The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law.**

**(Viper-Bite-Venom)**

57 But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

58 **Therefore**, my beloved brethren, be **steadfast, immovable, always abounding** in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

Matt 16:13-Matt 16:16 NKJV
When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, “Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?” So they said, “Some say John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “**But who do you say that I am**?”

Simon Peter answered and said, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”

Matt 16:17-Matt 16:19 NKJV
Jesus answered and said to him, “Blessed are you, **Simon Bar-Jonah**, for **flesh and blood has not revealed this to you**, but My Father who is in heaven.

And I also say to you that **you are Peter**, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.

And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”

John 1:12-John 1:13 NKJV
But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: **who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.**

John 3:5-John 3:8 NKJV
Jesus answered, “Most assuredly, I say to you, **unless one is born** of water and **the Spirit**, he **cannot enter the kingdom of God**. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and **that which is born of the Spirit is spirit**. Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. **So is everyone who is born of the Spirit**.”

John 3:9-John 3:13 NKJV
Nicodemus answered and said to Him, “**How can these things be**?” Jesus answered and said to him, “Are you the teacher of Israel, and do not know these things? Most assuredly, I say to you, **We speak what We know and testify what We have seen, and you do not receive Our witness**. **If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how will you believe if I tell you heavenly things**? No one has ascended to heaven but He who came down from heaven, that is, the **Son of Man who is in heaven.**

John 3:25-John 3:36 NKJV
Then there arose a dispute between some of John’s disciples and the Jews about purification. And they came to John and said to him, “Rabbi, He who was with you beyond the Jordan, to whom you have testified—behold, He is baptizing, and all are coming to Him!” John answered and said, “**A man can receive nothing unless it has been given to him from heaven**. You yourselves bear me witness, that I said, ‘I am not the Christ,’ but, ‘I have been sent before Him.’

John 3:29-John 3:36 NKJV
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. **Therefore this joy of mine is fulfilled**. He must increase, but I must decrease. He who comes from above is above all; he who is of the earth is earthly and speaks of the earth. **He who comes from heaven is above all**. **And what He has seen and heard, that He testifies; and no one receives His testimony**.

**I believe the Son**

John 3:33-John 3:36 NKJV
He who has received His testimony has certified that God is true. For He whom God has sent speaks the words of God, for God does not give the Spirit by measure. **The Father loves the Son**, and has given all things into His hand. **He who believes in the Son has everlasting life**; and he who does not believe the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.”

**John 8**

**Jesus the Light of the World**

**8**But Jesus went to the Mount of Olives.

**2**Now [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+8&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-26384a)]early in the morning He came again into the temple, and all the people came to Him; and He sat down and taught them. **3**Then the scribes and Pharisees brought to Him a woman caught in adultery. And when they had set her in the midst, **4**they said to Him, “Teacher, [[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+8&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-26386b)]this woman was caught in adultery, in the very act. **5**Now [[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+8&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-26387c)]Moses, in the law, commanded us [[d](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+8&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-26387d)]that such should be stoned. But what do You [[e](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+8&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-26387e)]say?” **6**This they said, testing Him, that they might have *something* of which to accuse Him. But Jesus stooped down and wrote on the ground with *His* finger, [[f](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+8&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-26388f)]as though He did not hear.

**7**So when they continued asking Him, He [[g](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+8&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-26389g)]raised Himself up and said to them, “He who is without sin among you, let him throw a stone at her first.” **8**And again He stooped down and wrote on the ground. **9**Then those who heard *it,* being[[h](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+8&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-26391h)] convicted by *their* conscience, went out one by one, beginning with the oldest *even* to the last. And Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst. **10**When Jesus had raised Himself up [[i](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+8&version=NKJV" \l "fen-NKJV-26392i" \o "See footnote i)]and saw no one but the woman, He said to her, “Woman, where are those accusers [[j](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+8&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-26392j)]of yours? Has no one condemned you?”

**11**She said, “No one, Lord.”

And Jesus said to her, “**Neither do I condemn you; go [**[**k**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+8&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-26393k)**]and sin no more**.”

**12**Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, “**I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life**.”

**Jesus - His Self-Witness**

**13**The Pharisees therefore said to Him, “You bear witness of Yourself; Your witness is not [[l](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+8&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-26395l)]true.”

**14**Jesus answered and said to them, “Even if I bear witness of Myself, My witness is true, for **I know where I came from and where I am going**; but you do not know where I come from and where I am going. **15**You judge according to the flesh; I judge no one. **16**And yet if I do judge, My judgment is true; **for I am not alone, but I *am* with the Father who sent Me. 17It is also written in your law that the testimony of two men is true. 18I am One who bears witness of Myself, and the Father who sent Me bears witness of Me.”**

**19**Then they said to Him, “Where is Your Father?”

Jesus answered, “**You know neither Me nor My Father. If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also**.”

**20**These words Jesus spoke in the treasury, as He taught in the temple; and no one laid hands on Him, for His hour had not yet come.

**Jesus Predicts His Departure**

**21**Then Jesus said to them again, “**I am going away, and you will seek Me, and will die in your sin. Where I go you cannot come**.”

**22**So the Jews said, “Will He kill Himself, because He says, ‘**Where I go you cannot come’?”**

**23**And He said to them, “**You are from beneath; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world. 24Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I am *He,* you will die in your sins.”**

**25**Then they said to Him, **“Who are You?”**

And Jesus said to them, “**Just what I have been saying to you from the beginning. 26I have many things to say and to judge concerning you, but He who sent Me is true; and I speak to the world those things which I heard from Him**.”

**27**They did not understand that **He spoke to them of the Father**.

**28**Then Jesus said to them, “When you lift[[m](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+8&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-26410m)] up the Son of Man, then you will know that **I am** *He,* and *that* I do nothing of Myself; but as My Father taught Me, I speak these things. **29**And He who sent Me is with Me. **The Father has not left Me alone, for I always do those things that please Him**.” **30**As He spoke these words, many believed in Him.

**The Truth Shall Make You Free**

**31**Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, “If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. **32And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free**.”

**33**They answered Him, “We are Abraham’s descendants, and have never been in bondage to anyone. How *can* You say, ‘You will be made free’?”

**34**Jesus answered them, “**Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave of sin. 35And a slave does not abide in the house forever, *but* a son abides forever. 36Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed**.

**Abraham’s Seed and Satan’s**

**37**“**I know that you are Abraham’s descendants**, but you seek to kill Me, because My word has no place in you. **38**I speak what I have seen with My Father, and **you do what you have [**[**n**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+8&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-26420n)**]seen with your father.”**

**39**They answered and said to Him, “Abraham is our father.”

Jesus said to them, “If you were Abraham’s children, you would do the works of Abraham. **40But now you seek to kill Me, a Man who has told you the truth which I heard from God. Abraham did not do this**. **41**You do the deeds of your father.”

Then they said to Him, “We were not born of fornication; we have one Father—God.”

**42**Jesus said to them, “**If God were your Father, you would love Me, for I proceeded forth and came from God; nor have I come of Myself, but He sent Me. 43Why do you not understand My speech? Because you are not able to listen to My word.** **44You are of *your* father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own *resources,* for he is a liar and the father of it. 45But because I tell the truth, you do not believe Me**. **46Which of you convicts Me of sin**? And if I tell the truth, why do you not believe Me? **47He who is of God hears God’s words; therefore you do not hear, because you are not of God.”**

**Before Abraham Was, I AM**

**48**Then the Jews answered and said to Him, “Do we not say rightly that You are a Samaritan and have a demon?”

**49**Jesus answered, “I do not have a demon; but I honor My Father, and you dishonor Me. **50**And I do not seek My *own* glory; there is One who seeks and judges. **51Most assuredly, I say to you, if anyone keeps My word he shall never see death.”**

**52**Then the Jews said to Him, “Now we know that You have a demon! Abraham is dead, and the prophets; and You say, ‘If anyone keeps My word he shall never taste death.’ **53Are You greater than our father Abraham, who is dead? And the prophets are dead. Who do You make Yourself out to be**?”

**54**Jesus answered, “If I honor Myself, My honor is nothing. **It is My Father who honors Me, of whom you say that He is [**[**o**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+8&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-26436o)**]your God. 55Yet you have not known Him, but I know Him. And if I say, ‘I do not know Him,’ I shall be a liar like you; but I do know Him and keep His word. 56Your father Abraham rejoiced to see My day, and he saw *it* and was glad.”**

**57**Then the Jews said to Him, “You are not yet fifty years old, and have You seen Abraham?”

**58**Jesus said to them, “Most assuredly, I say to you, **before Abraham was, I AM.”**

**59**Then they took up stones to throw at Him; but **Jesus hid Himself and went out of the temple, going[**[**p**](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+8&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-26441p)**] through the midst of them, and so passed by**.

Rom 9:1-Rom 9:5 NKJV
I tell the truth in Christ, I am not lying, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Spirit, that I have great sorrow and continual grief in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren, my countrymen according to the flesh, who are **Israelites, to whom pertain the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the service of God, and the promises; of whom are the fathers and from whom, according to the flesh, Christ came, who is over all, the eternally blessed God. Amen**.

Rom 9:6-Rom 9:13 NKJV
But it is not that the word of God has taken no effect. **For they are not all Israel who are of Israel,** **nor are they all children because they are the seed of Abraham**; but, “In Isaac your seed shall be called.” That is, **those who are the children of the flesh, these are not the children of God**; but the **children of the promise are counted as the seed**.

For this is the word of promise: “**At this time I will come and Sarah shall have a son**.”

Rom 9:10-Rom 9:13 NKJV
**And not only this**, but when Rebecca also had conceived by one man, even by our father Isaac (for the children not yet being born, nor having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works but of Him who calls), it was said to her, “**The older shall serve the younger**.” As it is written, “Jacob I have loved, but Esau I have hated.”

Rom 9:22-Rom 9:26 NKJV
**What if God**, wanting to show His wrath and to make His power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath prepared for destruction, and that He **might make known the riches of His glory on the vessels of mercy, which He had prepared beforehand for glory,** even us whom He called, not of the Jews only, **but also of the Gentiles?**

Rom 9:25-Rom 9:26 NKJV
As He says also in Hosea: “I will call them My people, who were not My people, And her beloved, who was not beloved.” “And it shall come to pass in the place where it was said to them, ‘You are not My people,’ **There they shall be called sons of the living God**.”

Rom 9:27-Rom 9:29 NKJV
Isaiah also cries out concerning Israel: “Though the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, **The remnant will be saved**. **For He will finish the work** and cut it short in **righteousness**, Because the Lord will make a short work upon the earth.” And as Isaiah said before: “Unless the Lord of Sabaoth had left us a seed, We would have become like Sodom, And we would have been made like Gomorrah.”

Rom 9:30-Rom 9:33 NKJV
**What shall we say then?** **That Gentiles**, who did not pursue righteousness, **have attained to righteousness, even the righteousness of faith**; but **Israel**, pursuing the law of righteousness, **has not attained to the law of righteousness**.

**Why?**

Because they did not seek it by faith, but as it were, by the **works of the law**. For they stumbled at **that stumbling stone**. As it is written: “Behold, I lay in Zion a stumbling stone and rock of offense, And whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame.”

Rev 21:1-Rev 21:8 NKJV
Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea. Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, “Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God.

Rev 21:4-Rev 21:8 NKJV
And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the **former things have passed away**.” Then He who sat on the throne said, “Behold, I make all things new.” And He said to me, “Write, for these words are true and faithful.” And He said to me, **“It is done!** I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts.

Rev 21:7-Rev 21:8 NKJV
**He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son**. But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death.”

Gen 2:4 NKJV
This is the history of the heavens and the earth when they were created, **in the day** that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens,

**Which Day ?**

Gen 2:2 NKJV
And on the seventh day God ended **His work** which **He had done**, and He rested on the seventh day from all **His work** which **He had done**.

**So question – What is he doing on the eight day ?**

Gen 1:3-Gen 1:5 NKJV
Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw the light, that *it was* good; and God divided the light from the darkness. **God called the light Day**, and the darkness He called Night. So the evening and the morning were the first day.

1 Thessalonians 5 NKJV
But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. For when they say, “Peace and safety!” then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape. **But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief. You are all sons of light and sons of the day**. We are not of the night nor of darkness.

Gen 1:26-Gen 1:28 NKJV
Then God said, “**Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion** over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, **over all the earth** and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. Then God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.” And God said, “See, I have given you every herb that yields seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food.

**What was on the Godhead’s mind when making man ?**

John 10:31-John 10:39 NKJV
Then the Jews took up stones again to stone Him. Jesus answered them, “Many good works I have shown you from My Father. For which of those works do you stone Me?” The Jews answered Him, saying, “For a good work we do not stone You, but for blasphemy, and **because You, being a Man, make Yourself God**.”

Jesus answered them, “Is it not written in your law, ‘I said, “You are gods” ’? **If He called them gods, to whom the word of God came (and the Scripture cannot be broken)**, do you say of Him whom the Father sanctified and sent into the world, ‘You are blaspheming,’ because **I said, ‘I am the Son of God’?** If I do not do the works of My Father, do not believe Me; but if I do, though you do not believe Me, believe the works, that you may know and believe that the **Father is in Me, and I in Him**.” Therefore they sought again to seize Him, but He escaped out of their hand.

Psalm 82 NKJV
**God** stands in the congregation of the **mighty**; He judges among the **gods**.

How long will you judge unjustly, And show partiality to the wicked? Selah Defend the poor and fatherless; Do justice to the afflicted and needy. Deliver the poor and needy; Free them from the hand of the wicked.

They do not know, nor do they understand; They walk about in darkness; All the foundations of the earth are unstable.

I said, “You are **gods**, And **all of you are children of the Most High**. But you shall die like men, And fall like one of the princes.” 8 Arise, O **God**, judge the earth; For You shall inherit all nations.

1 John 3 NKJV
Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that **we should be called children of God!**

**Therefore the world does not know us**, because it did not know Him.

Beloved, **now** we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, **we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is**.

And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

1 John 3:4 NKJV
4 Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness. 5 And you know that **He was manifested to take away our sins**, and **in Him there is no sin**. 6 **Whoever abides in Him does not sin**. Whoever sins has neither seen Him nor known Him.

7 Little children, let no one deceive you. He who practices righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous. 8 He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

9 **Whoever has been born of God does not sin**, for His seed remains in him; and **he cannot sin**, **because he has been born of God**.

1 John 4 NKJV

4 **You are of God**, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. 5 They are of the world. Therefore **they speak as of the world**, and the world hears them. 6 **We are of God**. He who knows God hears us; he who is not of God does not hear us. By this we know the spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

15 Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, **God abides in him, and he in God**. 16 And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and **he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him**.

1 John 5 NKJV
**Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God**, and everyone who loves Him who begot also loves him who is begotten of Him

3 For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And **His commandments are not burdensome**. 4 For **whatever is born of God overcomes the world**. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. 5 **Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God**?

6 This is He who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not only by water, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who bears witness, because the Spirit is truth. 7 **For there are three that bear witness in heaven**: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one. 8 And **there are three that bear witness on earth**: the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree as one.

9 If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater; **for this is the witness of God which He has testified of His Son**. 10 He who believes in the Son of God **has the witness in himself**; he who does not believe God has made Him a liar, because he has not believed the testimony that God has given of His Son. 11 And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. 12 He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. 13 These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God.

**We know :**

18 **We know** that whoever is born of God does not sin; but he who has been born of God keeps himself, and the wicked one does not touch him.

19 **We know** that we are of God, and the whole world lies under the sway of the wicked one.

20 And **we know** that the Son of God has come and has given us an understanding, that **we may know** Him who is true; and we are in Him who is true, in His Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God and eternal life.

21 Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen.

Gal 4:1-Gal 4:7 NKJV
**Now I say that the heir, as long as he is a child, does not differ at all from a slave, though he is master of all**, but is under guardians and stewards until the time appointed by the father. Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world. But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the **adoption as sons**.

Gal 4:6-Gal 4:7 NKJV
**And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, “Abba, Father!”** **Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.**

**Who does not want to be a Heir of God ????**

8 But then, indeed, when you did not know God, you served those which by nature are not gods. 9 But now after you have known God, or rather are known by God, how is it that you turn again to the weak and beggarly elements, to which you desire again to be in bondage? 10 **You observe days and months and seasons and years**. 11 I am afraid for you, lest I have labored for you in vain.

12 Brethren, I urge you to become like me, for I became like you. You have not injured me at all. 13 You know that because of physical infirmity I preached the gospel to you at the first. 14 And my trial which was in my flesh you did not despise or reject, but you received me as an angel of God, even as Christ Jesus. 15 What then was the blessing you enjoyed? For I bear you witness that, if possible, you would have plucked out your own eyes and given them to me. 16 Have I therefore become your enemy because I tell you the truth?

17 They zealously court you, but for no good; yes, they want to exclude you, that you may be zealous for them. 18 But it is good to be zealous in a good thing always, and not only when I am present with you. 19 My little children, for whom I labor in birth again until Christ is formed in you, 20 I would like to be present with you now and to change my tone; for I have doubts about you.

Two Covenants

21 Tell me, you who desire to be under the law, do you not hear the law? 22 For it is written that **Abraham had two sons**: the one by a bondwoman, the other by a freewoman. 23 But he who was of the bondwoman was born according to the flesh, and he of the freewoman through promise, 24 which things are symbolic. For these are the two covenants: the one from Mount Sinai which gives birth to bondage, which is Hagar— 25 for this Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and corresponds to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children— 26 **but the Jerusalem above is free, which is the mother of us all.** 27 For it is written:

“Rejoice, O barren,
You who do not bear!
Break forth and shout,
You who are not in labor!
For the desolate has many more children
Than she who has a husband.”

28 Now **we, brethren, as Isaac was, are children of promise**. 29 But, as he who was born according to the flesh then persecuted him who was born according to the Spirit, even so it is now. 30 Nevertheless what does the Scripture say? “Cast out the bondwoman and her son, for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman.”

31 So then, brethren, **we are not children of the bondwoman but of the free**.

**Works of the Son of God**

John 5 NKJV
After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, which is called in Hebrew, Bethesda, having five porches. In these lay a great multitude of sick people, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water. For an angel went down at a certain time into the pool and stirred up the water; then whoever stepped in first, after the stirring of the water, was made well of whatever disease he had.

Now a certain man was there who had an infirmity **thirty-eight years**. When Jesus saw him lying there, and knew that he already had been in that condition a long time, He said to him, “Do you want to be made well?” The sick man answered Him, “Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; but while I am coming, another steps down before me.”

Jesus said to him, “Rise, take up your bed and walk.” And **immediately** the man was made well, took up his bed, and walked. And **immediately** the man was made well, took up his bed, and walked. **And that day was the Sabbath**.

**Sons walk in the Seventh Day**

16 For this reason the Jews persecuted Jesus, and sought to kill Him, because He had done these things on the Sabbath. 17 But Jesus answered them, “My Father has been working until now, and I have been working.”

18 Therefore the Jews sought all the more to kill Him, because He not only broke the Sabbath, **but also said that God was His Father, making Himself equal with God.**

19 Then Jesus answered and said to them, “Most assuredly, I say to you, the **Son can do nothing of Himself**, but **what He sees the Father do**; for whatever He does, the Son also does in like manner. 20 For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him all things that He Himself does; and He will show Him greater works than these, that you may marvel. 21 For as the Father raises the dead and gives life to them, even so the Son gives life to whom He will. 22 For the Father judges no one, but has committed all judgment to the Son, 23 that all should honor the Son just as they honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent Him.

Romans 8 NKJV
8 There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. 2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death. 3 For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh, 4 that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to 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 things of the Spirit. 6 For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. 7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be. 8 So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

9 **But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit**, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His. 10 And if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. 11 But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

**Sons are led by the Spirit**

12 Therefore, brethren, we are debtors—not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. 13 For if you live according to the flesh you will 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 God, these are sons of God**. 15 For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but **you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, “Abba, Father**.” 16 The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, 17 and **if children, then heirs**—**heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ**, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together.

**Jesus after baptism**

Mark 1:9-Mark 1:13 NKJV
It came to pass in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And immediately, coming up from the water, He saw the heavens parting and the Spirit descending upon Him like a dove. Then a voice came from heaven, “**You are My beloved Son**, in whom I am well pleased.” **Immediately the Spirit drove Him** into the wilderness. And He was there in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan, and was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered to Him.

Isa 33:20-Isa 33:24 NKJV
**Look upon Zion**, the city of our appointed feasts; Your eyes will see Jerusalem, a quiet home, A tabernacle that will not be taken down; Not one of its stakes will ever be removed, Nor will any of its cords be broken. But there the majestic Lord will be for us A place of broad rivers and streams, **In which no galley with oars will sail, Nor majestic ships pass by** (For the Lord is our Judge, The Lord is our Lawgiver, The Lord is our King; He will save us);

Isa 33:23-Isa 33:24 NKJV
**Your tackle is loosed,** They **could not strengthen their mast**, **They could not spread the sail.** **Then the prey of great plunder is divided; The lame take the prey**. And the inhabitant will not say, “I am sick”; The people who dwell in it will be forgiven their iniquity.

**A more Excellent Name - Son**

Heb 1:1-Heb 1:5 NKJV
God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, **whom He has appointed heir of all things**, through whom also He made the worlds; who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become so much better than the angels, as He has by inheritance **obtained a more excellent name than they**.

For to which of the angels did He ever say: “**You are My Son, Today I have begotten You**”? And again: “**I will be to Him a Father, And He shall be to Me a Son**”?

**Do you know that you have a more Excellent name than Angels**

6 But when He again brings the firstborn into the world, He says:

“Let all the angels of God **worship Him**.”

7 And of the angels He says:

“Who makes His angels spirits
And His ministers a flame of fire.”

8 But to the Son He says:

“**Your throne, O God**, is forever and ever;
A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your kingdom.
9 You have loved righteousness and hated lawlessness;
Therefore God, **Your God, has anointed You**
With the oil of gladness more than Your companions.”

10 And:

“**You, Lord**, in the beginning laid the foundation of the earth,
And the **heavens are the work of Your hands**.
11 They will perish, but **You remain**;
And they will all grow old like a garment;
12 Like a cloak You will fold them up,
And they will be changed.
But **You are the same**,
And **Your years will not fail**.”

13 But to which of the angels has He ever said:

“Sit at My right hand,
Till I make **Your enemies** **Your footstool**”?

14 Are they not all **ministering spirits sent forth to minister** for those who will inherit salvation?

Luke 20:34-Luke 20:36 NKJV
Jesus answered and said to them, “The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage. But those who are counted worthy to attain that age, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry nor are given in marriage; nor can they die anymore, for they are equal to the angels and **are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection.**

**Resurrection by the Father’s Word**

Acts 13:26-Acts 13:33 NKJV
“Men and brethren, sons of the family of Abraham, and those among you who fear God, to you the word of this salvation has been sent. For those who dwell in Jerusalem, and their rulers, because they did not know Him, nor even the voices of the Prophets which are read every Sabbath, have fulfilled them in condemning Him. And though they found no cause for death in Him, they asked Pilate that He should be put to death. Now when they had fulfilled all that was written concerning Him, they took Him down from the tree and laid Him in a tomb. But God raised Him from the dead. He was seen for many days by those who came up with Him from Galilee to Jerusalem, who are His witnesses to the people.

And we declare to you glad tidings—that promise which was made to the fathers. God has fulfilled this for us their children, in that **He has raised up Jesus**. As it is also written in the second Psalm: ‘**You are My Son, Today I have begotten You**.’

And that He raised Him from the dead, **no more to return to corruption**, He has spoken thus: ‘I will give you the **sure mercies of David**.’ Therefore He also says in another Psalm: ‘**You will not allow Your Holy One to see corruption.’**

**Made without Hands**

Colossians 2 NKJV

1 For I want you to know what a great conflict I have for you and those in Laodicea, and for as many as have not seen my face in the flesh, 2 that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, and attaining to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God, both of the Father and of Christ, 3 in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

4 Now this I say lest anyone should deceive you with persuasive words. 5 For though I am absent in the flesh, yet I am with you in spirit, rejoicing to see your good order and the steadfastness of your faith in Christ.

6 As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, **so walk in Him**, 7 rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving.

8 Beware lest anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ. 9 For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily; 10 and you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power.

Not Legalism but Christ

11 In Him you were also circumcised with the **circumcision made without hands**, by putting off the body of the sins of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, 12 **buried with Him in baptism, in which you also were raised with Him through faith in the working of God**, **who raised Him from the dead**. 13 And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses, 14 having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. 15 Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.

Acts 7:44-Acts 7:50 NKJV
“Our fathers had the tabernacle of witness in the wilderness, as He appointed, instructing Moses to make it according to the pattern that he had seen, which our fathers, having received it in turn, also brought with Joshua into the land possessed by the Gentiles, whom God drove out before the face of our fathers until the days of David, who found favor before God and asked to find a dwelling for the God of Jacob. **But Solomon built Him a house**.

Acts 7:48-Acts 7:50 NKJV
“**However, the Most High does not dwell in temples made with hands**, as the prophet says: ‘Heaven is My throne, And earth is My footstool. What house will you build for Me? says the Lord, Or what is the place of My rest? Has My hand not made all these things?’

Acts 17:24-Acts 17:25 NKJV
God, who made the world and everything in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, **does not dwell in temples made with hands**. Nor is He worshiped with men’s hands, as though He needed anything, since He gives to all life, breath, and all things.

2 Corinthians 5 NKJV
For we know that if our earthly house, this tent, is destroyed, **we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens**.

Heb 9:11 NKJV
But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle **not made with hands**, that is, not of this creation.

Heb 9:24 NKJV
For Christ has **not entered the holy places made with hands**, which are copies of the true, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us;

1 Corinthians 3 NKJV

16 Do you not know that **you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you**? 17 If anyone defiles the temple of God, God will destroy him. **For the temple of God is holy, which temple you are**.

**All are yours**

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 God’s.

**A great mystery**

Eph 5:32 NKJV
**This is a great mystery**, but I speak concerning Christ and the church.

Eph 5:29-Eph 5:30 NKJV
**For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it,** just as **the Lord does the church**. **For we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones**.

**The mystery of Godliness**

1 Timothy 3 NKJV

14 These things I write to you, though I hope to come to you shortly; 15 but if I am delayed, I write so that you may know how you ought to conduct yourself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth. 16 And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness:

Who was manifested in the flesh,
Justified in the Spirit,
**Seen by angels,**
Preached among the Gentiles,
Believed on in the world,
Received up in glory.

**All creation eagerly waits**

Rom 8:18-Rom 8:25 NKJV
For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the **revealing of the sons of God**. For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope; because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

Rom 8:22-Rom 8:25 NKJV
For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now. Not only that, but **we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit**, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body. For we were saved in this hope, but hope that is seen is not hope; for why does one still hope for what he sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we eagerly wait for it with perseverance.